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To Renée:

Stay with us through the night
Stay with us through the pain
Stay with us our Creator,
'Til the morning comes, again.

Walter Farquharson



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IN MEMORY OF RENEE SWEENEY

Students hit the streets across Canada

(CUP) — Students from St. John's to Victoria took to the streets Jan. 28 with a big-picture focus in their fight for affordable post-secondary education.

The Day of Action, organized by the Canadian Federation of Students, drew thousands of students to meeting places ranging from university campuses to government legislatures to financial districts.

Students were calling for a national system of grants and an accessible education system — and were joined by 125 partners from faculty associations, social justice groups and labour unions.

From the growing interest in corporate control to the increased solidarity between social justice, labour and student groups, Jan. 28 was the picture of a movement maturing and looking at broader issues.

But the immediate concern which sparked the protest is the growing student debt load and impending tuition fee increases. Already, average student debt is reaching \$25,000 a year and tuition fees have risen an average of 30 per cent in the last two years.

"These aren't country clubs for the rich where you can increase the membership fees to keep the riff-raff out, this is public post-secondary education and we are going to take it back," Brad Lavigne, national chairperson of the federation, shouted to a rally of 3,000 in the heart of Toronto's financial district.

"We are here to make a connection between the policies of [the provincial government] and the policies of corporate Canada," Lavigne continued, pointing to the banks as the real power-centres.

After the Toronto rally wrapped up, a group of 40 students decided to stage a sit-in in the lobby of the nearby Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. CIBC was quick to express sympathy with the student debt crisis and the students left the

next morning without incident.

Students expressed similar concerns with banks in a number of cities, including Regina, Victoria and Vancouver, labeling them as the players at the heart of the problem. The financial elite are pulling the strings in this charade, since they have too much weight with politicians and sit on many university boards, say students.

In Regina the day's protest centered on the Royal Bank, which holds a monopoly on student loans in the province. About 200 students marched through the downtown area, stopping in front of the bank's offices. They blocked traffic for several minutes before they were peacefully moved by police to a pedestrian walkway half a block away.

The story of protestor Peter Borch, a history student at the University of Regina, reflects the concerns of many who took to the streets across the country.

"When I get out, my student loan will be around \$20,000," he said. "If I can get a job, I can probably deal with that. But [if] I have to go to graduate school... I'll just accumulate more debt."

Checking out the protest were two high school students, who said they appreciated what the demonstrators were fighting for, including a tuition freeze in the province.

"I think [the rally] is pretty cool," Chris Crawford said. "[T]hey're trying to make it better for the next people who come to school."

His friend Lonnie Dittmer, who just finished high school, says he can't afford to pursue a post-secondary education yet.

"[The banks] are sucking the money out of students," he said.

In Victoria, thousands of students marched through the city's financial district. They made a brief stop at the Royal Bank, where they left as presents burlap sacks symbolizing gigantic debt loads. The demonstrators then made their way to the

provincial legislature, where they were addressed by high school and university students, faculty, labour leaders and provincial premier Glen Clark.

The premier pledged his support for a national system of grants, spoke against income-contingent repayment plans and made overtures about the possibility of a tuition fee freeze for the third year in a row in that province.

After Clark's address, students chanted "Prove it!"

"We have to hold fire to the feet of people like Glen Clark," UVic professor Jamie Dopp told the crowd after the premier spoke.

Following the rally, some students staged a brief sit-in at the constituency office of Liberal MP David Anderson, to make sure that the federal government got their message as well.

A couple of thousand students marched through downtown Vancouver protesting against high student debt, tuition increases and the big banks.

As in Toronto, Vancouver students united with partners who may come from different constituencies, but recognize their problems stem from the same root. "This is not just one fight, it is not just student interest in education. It is also workers, parents with children, it is the public in general that opposes the downloading and corporate control," Joey Hansen, B.C. national rep for the federation, said.

While passing through the financial district, some demonstrators presented bankruptcy notices to banks as a reminder that the dwindling government support for post-secondary education is morally bankrupt, while others wrote slogans in washable markers on the windows of the Royal Bank. Several protestors tried to enter the bank building, but were stopped by security. One demonstrator was arrested for mischief after allegedly writing on a bank win-

dow.

Following the rally, about a hundred students marched on the Vancouver Stock Exchange. A short sit-in ensued before the students left peacefully. Two were arrested while inside.

The Vancouver protest was small compared to one held two years ago, when approximately 10,000 angry students gathered in front of the Vancouver Art Gallery to protest massive tuition increases which at that time seemed imminent.

At a time when the province of B.C. has absorbed much of the federal cuts without raising tuition for Canadian students, there seemed little urgency at the University of British Columbia. The school's student union was barely able to fill two of the five transit buses it had leased to bring students downtown.

Students expressed a variety of concerns across the country, and in a number of ways. In Atlantic Canada, for example, the biggest target was government funding cutbacks, and the mood more celebratory than angry.

Going to the street a day early in Nova Scotia, hundreds of Halifax students met up at King's College Jan. 27 and along with labour and postal workers, took on the legislature.

At the protest, Penny McCall Howard of King's College, who helped organize the day's activities, spoke of the importance of a university education and the need to remove barriers to it.

"If they don't stop increasing tuition, students won't be able to contribute to society," she said.

Faculty joined in the rally as well. Andrew Wainwright, a Dalhousie University English professor, said it was important for teachers to stand behind their students.

"As teachers, students are our concern and we need to support them in these types of actions," he said. Wainwright and colleague Mike

Bradfield, an economics professor at Dalhousie, encouraged their students to attend the protest through e-mail.

The day in Halifax had a festive feel. "The mood was celebratory. Right from the beginning we wanted the tone to be one of taking celebratory action," Jessica Squires, a national executive rep for the Nova Scotia component of the CFS, said.

But authorities put a damper on one element of the festivities. The fire department was called in to extinguish a fire in the legislature's driveway over which students were toasting bagels.

The mood was also upbeat in Newfoundland, where students from Memorial University, the Marine Institute and the College of the North Atlantic gathered on Jan. 28 in the Memorial student centre gymnasium to protest government cuts to education and rising debt loads. There were speeches from student leaders, teachers and local unions. Added attractions included a mock jail cell for students "sentenced to debt" and a stuffed Jean Chrétien, which people were encouraged to kick.

The crowd, which peaked at around 1,000, was also addressed by Greg Malone, local comedian and activist and a former member of the CODCO comedy troupe. He said poor spending choices were being made by the provincial government, adding that it should put back up to \$40-million into post-secondary education. He recalled a provincial program from the '60s in which students were actually paid to attend school.

"I had a free university education. They paid me \$50 a month to go here, and if that don't make you bitter I don't know what will," Malone said.

While it was a spirited turnout in Newfoundland, at times during the lunch-hour rush it seemed there were as many students in the nearby food court as there was in the gymnasium.

Demonstrators had a full day



Top left: Northern Ontario students march through LU's Founder's Square
Bottom left: Nipissing University students lead demonstrators through "The debts they are increasing", to the tune of the Bob Dylan classic
Above left: John Filo, of the Labour Council, addresses demonstrators at Great Hall
Above right: LU activist, Todd Bosak, addresses Day of Action demonstrators (story continued on page 6)

Patrick Moore to deliver Falconbridge Lecture

by Sarah Viau
Asst News Editor

Laurentian University and Falconbridge Ltd have announced that Dr. Patrick Moore, a founding member of Greenpeace, will be presenting the next Falconbridge Lecture at Laurentian University, on March 26. His lecture, entitled "Getting it Right - Environmentalism for the 21st Century," intends to challenge the radical environmentalism that he once espoused as a pioneer in the international environmental movement.

During the Vietnam War, on the brink of a nuclear holocaust, Moore was one in a small group of activists who founded Greenpeace in the basement of the Utilitarian Church in Vancouver. By 1986, Greenpeace was established in 26 countries and had an annual income of over \$100 million.

Greenpeace remains an independent, non-profit campaigning organization that uses what it calls "creative confrontation" to expose global environmental problems. Its goal is to ensure the ability of the Earth to nurture and sustain life in all its diversity. Moore was a driving force in shaping policy and direction while Greenpeace became the world's largest environmental activist organization.

Through his experiences, Moore has become an expert on forest and energy issues. He earned a Ph.D. in ecology from the University of British Columbia in 1992. Moore served first as President of Greenpeace Canada for nine years, and then proceeded to serve for seven years as a Director for Greenpeace International.

He was also a member of the B.C. government-appointed Round Table on the Environment and Economy from 1990-94. At the beginning of his term here, Moore founded the B.C. Carbon Project, a multi-stakeholder group that worked to develop a common understanding of climate change.

Moore continued his fight for the environment by working as Director and Vice-President of WaterFurnace International Ltd, the largest manufacturer of geothermal heat pumps for residential heating and cooling systems that use renewable earth energy.

Again furthering his cause, Moore became Chair of the Forest Practices Committee of the Forest Alliance of British Columbia. He has recently focussed his concerns on B.C., promoting sustainability and consensus building, among other concerns.

In 1995, Moore published a best-selling, controversial book entitled "Pacific Spirit - The Forest Reborn". It is a photo-book that explores the beauty, biodiversity, and health of new forests growing back after logging.

Moore has some new concerns that he believes are threatening the environment. He has warned that there has been a rise of radical environmentalism in the 1990s that itself poses a significant threat - a new brand of environmental extremists that reject science, diversity of opinion and even democracy. He believes that this serious problem causes ineffective communication between special interest groups and the business community. His message is that the protection of our ecology urgently requires expanded cooperation among environmental groups, government, and industry.

Out of this new concern has arrived Greenspirit, a consultant firm on environmental policy and public involvement in the resource and energy sectors. Moore played an instrumental role in the founding of Greenspirit, a concept that combines environmentalism with both a deep appreciation of nature and an enthusiasm for the challenge. The organization brings people of all in-

terests and persuasions together to find common ground.

At first, the Greenpeace movement specialized in confronting polluters and others who were abusing the land and its resources. One of the first accomplishments of Greenpeace was to succeed in stopping nuclear testing in Alaska and to have the site declared a bird sanctuary. In 1982, the organization played an instrumental role in establishing a moratorium on commercial whaling. In 1991, Greenpeace helped bring about a 50 year ban on mining and mineral exploration in Antarctica. Their list of achievements expands continuously. Greenpeace to date has been accredited with more than 26 international treaties and conventions of the United Nations and other international bodies on issues including toxic trade, ozone depletion, climate change, biodiversity, and endangered species.

While Greenpeace and other groups like it have played a key role in awakening mass consciousness to the true dimensions of our global predicament, Moore believes that now is the time to shift environmentalism away from confrontation towards consensus building.

Moore now works as an environmental consultant, and continues to promote sustainable forestry practices, particularly in the forests of British Columbia. Tickets for Moore's lecture will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. The Falconbridge Lecture series, initiated in 1978, sponsors lectures at Laurentian University financed by a memorial fund established at Falconbridge Nickel Mines Ltd., and brings to Sudbury eminent figures from academia, business, public life, the professions and the arts.



Patrick Moore posing beside a Sitka Spruce that has grown back after logging that took place about one hundred years ago.

This is in Winter Harbor, on Vancouver Island, where Moore grew up and now owns a seaside home in the rainforest. Moore is to be the next Falconbridge lecturer.

NEWS BRIEFS

by Sarah Viau
Asst News Editor

Laurentian University commits to mining innovation

As part of Phase II of its Coming of Age fund-raising campaign, Laurentian University recently established the Mining Innovation, Rehabilitation and Applied Research Corporation (MIRARCo). This program is a result of a partnership between the Regional Municipality of Sudbury, the mining industry, local businesses, the provincial and federal governments, and Laurentian University. MIRARCo fits into the larger plan of creating an applied research park, and in making the wider Sudbury Region, and all of Northern Ontario, the Canadian centre for mining innovation, applied research and development.

Through its commitment to sustainable development in Northern Ontario, LU established MIRARCo by pooling the resources of its three existing mining-related research centres (Geothermics Research Centre, Centre in Mining and Mineral Exploration Research, and Elliot Lake Research Field Station), and by integrating a soon-to-be established Mining Exploration Centre. LU plans to allocate research resources from its current Coming of Age fund-raising campaign to expand and develop this mining innovation centre.

MIRARCo will also receive \$30,775 worth of support from FedNor to develop this institution. FedNor's contribution demonstrates an example of the federal government's support for technology based innovation in Canada's industrial sectors and the emergence of knowledge-based exports, areas that figure significantly in Canada's trade activity.

COMMUNIQUE

L'Université Laurentienne investit dans l'innovation minière

Dans le cadre de la deuxième phase de sa campagne de financement <<Bâtir sur du solide>>, l'Université Laurentienne a récemment fondé la Société de recherche appliquée en innovation minière et de réhabilitation (MIRARCo). Fruit d'un partenariat entre la Municipalité régionale de Sudbury, l'industrie minière, des entreprises locales, les gouvernements provincial et fédéral et l'Université Laurentienne, cette société s'inscrit dans le plan général visant à créer un parc de recherche appliquée et à faire de la région de Sudbury et du Nord-Ontario le noyau canadien de l'innovation, de la recherche appliquée, et du développement dans le domaine minier.

L'Université Laurentienne regroupe dans MIRARCo les ressources de ses trois centres actuels de recherche minière (Centre de recherche en géomécanique, Centre de recherche en exploitation minière et exploration minérale, Station de recherche d'Elliot Lake) et y intègre le futur Centre de recherche en exploration minérale. L'Université prévoit allouer des fonds provenant de la campagne <<Bâtir sur du solide>> pour favoriser le développement de ce centre d'innovation minière.

En plus, FedNor affectera 30 775 \$ au projet. Le soutien fourni par FedNor montre que le gouvernement fédéral tient à encourager l'innovation technologique dans les secteurs de l'industrie canadienne et la montée des exportations axées sur le savoir. Ce sont deux des aspects dominants de l'activité commerciale de notre pays.



A composite sketch of the suspect in the murder of LU student Renée Sweeney. He is described as Male, 5'11", 140 lbs with a slim build, 20 to 25 years of age, white and wearing glasses. Anyone with any information is asked to contact LU Security. The Walk Home Program has been reinstated for the security of LU students.

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KNOW WHEN TO DRAW THE LINE

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by Sarah MacDonald
Features Editor

As we all know, this past week brought a great tragedy to Laurentian and to the greater Sudbury community. As devastating as this has been for us, it cannot compare to the pain, grief, and confusion that Renée Sweeney's family and friends are suffering now. Despite the fact that not all of us knew her, Renee has touched all of us in a very profound way.

No one ever wants to admit that random acts of violence do happen. It is so much easier for us to believe that there was a reason for any given violent act. But desperate searches for answers or reasons in this tragedy are futile. There can be no explanation as to why a beautiful, promising young woman was taken away. We cannot hide behind the fact that something happened in her life that may have foreshadowed that this might happen; there is no violent ex-boyfriend to suspect or risky habits hiding in the closet. What happened to Renée could just as easily happen to anyone- that is what random acts of violence means.

For the first time, violence has reached in and left its cold touch on all of us. One of our own was senselessly murdered. This was a woman who had the same ambitions, hopes, and dreams as we all do: to finish school, to make a life and career for herself, to succeed. That is precisely what makes us all feel so sick inside about what happened last Tuesday morning, the horrible loss of someone with so much in common with all Laurentian students. The difference with Renée may be her commitment to her studies while she worked full time, played in the Sudbury Orchestra, and somehow still managed to spend time with her friends and family. Any woman who already accomplished so much in her life was destined for even more successes.

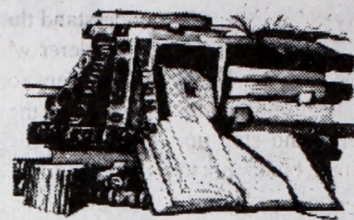
The loss of someone who was obviously so special and motivated will have a lasting effect on all of us who were here when it happened. The old cliché is that it takes a tragedy for people to realize the precious nature of life and to appreciate each day that we have. But Renée's life, more than her untimely death teaches us that we can always pursue our dreams, achieve as much as we want to, and never let obstacles get in our way. This tragedy also makes us realize how one person can affect the lives

of so many others, without ever really meaning to. Renée was one of those people.

It would be very easy to linger on the ugliness and horror of a woman being murdered or the fear and vulnerability we all feel, however, the real issue here is not necessarily how it happened but how it is going to change you. We all have to stop and think how this makes us feel. If you feel sick that this happened, as I'm sure we all do, you can decide to be more vocal about violence in society, or an employee's right to protection, or any other aspect of this tragedy that strikes you personally. You may even feel the need to talk to someone about how you're feeling about all of this, in which case you may wish to avail yourself of Laurentian's counselling services (located at the rear of the Placement centre).

While it may seem crass to try and find a way to turn this awful incident into some kind of positive action, it seems like the only way to make this somewhat bearable. We simply cannot rationalize this away or escape in the fact that maybe we did not know her so we are not affected. The fact of the matter is that it does affect us. The only way to start coming to terms with Renée's death is to never forget that it happened and to try to make something positive out of this tragedy.

The Amiable Librarian



This column is based on questions or suggestions received by staff members of the Desmarais Library, either personally or on the "Compliments/Questions/Suggestions" form that may be filled out neat the exit of the library.

Question: Just curious: why are all the cushioned chairs now bolted together in groups of three? Would it be for student convenience? Or maybe there is a make work programme around here that I am unaware of. If this is so, could you send someone outside to dig a ditch while another person fills it in?—Anon.

Dear Anon. You sound annoyed and you deserve an explanation. The bottom line is that the ongoing debate between those who favour sleeping in the library versus those who think such an activity lacks tone, has been won by the anti-sleepers.

The pro sleepers, which number the Amiable Librarian among them, think that there are not very many comfortable places to crash around the university and that if the library is to be attractive to everybody, it must make a place for those who are exhausted from studying and need a quick nap. Beside, sleepers encourage others in the library to be quiet, because no one wants to wake a sleeper up by making loud noises (even if snoring sleepers themselves occasionally make such noises!).

Aside from their concern about tone, the anti-sleepers found that the sleepers often placed their easy chairs in front of the current periodical racks, making it almost impossible for those who wanted to read (or shelve) currents to gain access (unless they wanted to wake the sleepers up). Further, the sleepers usually took up two chairs and in so doing, often got the second one dirty with their feet.

Your suggestion that the project was make-work, therefore, is not accurate. More important, philosophical considerations came

into play.

Question: Dr. Buse wants me to find out something about German intelligence services during the Weimar Republic. I know that I have to use *Historical Abstracts* to do this, but frankly I find it very long and tedious to plough through them on the shelves. Why don't you put *Historical Abstracts* on the CD network?—Tired.

Dear Tired: It is possible that some day the library will purchase *Historical Abstracts* on CD. In the meantime, did you know you can access an electronic version of the service which is available through DIALOG. Most students have not yet used this service even though all the databases it covers are included on a chart on the bulletin board at the front of the library. A DIALOG search costs peanuts (nothing if you don't like the results it produces), covers many years at once, allows searching by keyword and finally, lets you obtain a customized list of citations which met all the criteria **Y o u h a v e s e t . I N T E L L I G E N C E (W) S E R V I C E ?** and WEIMAR. In English. Sorted by journal title. Piece of cake. One minute. Under \$1.00! See the Amiable Librarian.

Students!!!

Diane Cunningham, Ontario Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, is asking for your input on the seven points in the Calgary Framework for Canadian Unity. The deadline has been extended to February 28, 1998. To participate, you may fill out the questionnaire that might have been mailed to your home, or call 1-800-695-4045, or on the internet at www.ontariospeaks.com

LU's Health Services

Despite the resignation of Dr. Nagjebauer, effective December 19 1997, LU's health services is still fully operational. The University is currently examining new directions for LU's health services, in which Nurse Practitioners are expected to figure prominently, but in the meantime, four part-time physicians have been hired to provide service to the LU community. They join an existing staff of three Registered Nurses, one of whom is a Nurse Practitioner, and another who is a Canadian Occupational Health Nurse.

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Get In The Ring

by Bryson McCarthy
Columnist

Kevin Throne, what can I say? You're the first man in this university to show a little spine and step up. You put up a good fight, but try not to step on your own words next time. You say LU is "a school in dire need of many things of which image is one of them". I agree with you completely on this point. LU has a shit image which I am trying to bring attention to. You sound like you care about LU by attending school functions and cheer for the varsity teams which is great, but within sentences you prove you do not care about LU's image one bit. The beer cans on campus are part of what has given LU a bad name. You claim they are from "students who attend varsity games and actually cheer... because we are out here having fun and living the Laurentian experience." If you can show me anywhere in any of the LU handbooks, press packages and frosh information packages that says that the LU experience is drinking and littering on the campus then I will take all this back. Too bad it doesn't. The LU experience should be to learn and have fun at the same time. I drink but I sure as hell don't dump my empties on the campus grounds. Your defense of this action proves you are a degradation to the image of the school in this aspect. You may do a lot for the school, but you are also part of the problem. And your grandmother asking you for a beer to be initiated just shows a breakdown in your family gene pool that will never get fixed!

Now on to the challenge of the week. If any of you have noticed, the Sudbury Regional Police have placed sketches of the suspect in the slaying of one of our own Laurentian students around the school. I think this is a great idea and I hope it helps. My problem is the fucking jack-ass that decided to put smart ass comments on the sketches including speech bubbles with comments like "Kiss Me!" in them. Have you no conscience? Are you that starved for attention that you have to do something as sick and moronic as this? Were you even thinking about the impact of this on students? Do you

understand that this is the sketch of a murderer who took the life of an LU student for no reason? I didn't even know the deceased, but I am so \$#@&ing disgusted by what you did I would love to get you in the ring and kick your bitchy little ass! This section is not meant to be funny or amusing. I think this has to be one of the sickest displays I have seen in a long time. I hope whoever did this is reading this and thinks about what they did. Did you think it was funny? Did you think you would look that much cooler in front of your friends? I love responses from people I challenge, but you... just &@#\$ OFF!!! If I had seen you doing this I would have taken you out right there. No questions asked! Next time, don't be so damn stupid. You don't even deserve to get in the ring with me. Crawl back into the corner you come from and smoke a few more bowls' jack ass. WHAT THE FUCK WERE YOU THINKING???

And speaking of what were you thinking, who was the moron who decided to take it upon himself to remove all the sketches from the walls of residence? Is residence actually that separated from the outside world that you don't know why these sketches are up? There is no excuse imaginable as to why someone would go around and do this. These sketches are there to help a police investigation that is very close to the LU community. Doing this probably makes the female students feel really safe knowing that other students are removing these sketches and in a small way, helping to hinder the capture of the assailant. I know residence is a little world in itself that is mostly seen through beer goggles, but there are some serious things going on in the community around LU that affect everyone. Murder is not something to be taken lightly. If you can't help, don't become part of the \$&*ing problem. Grow the fuck up and act like an adult.

Remember, the ring is always open for comments and picked up challenges. Don't just sit on your ass, step up! Stay tuned next time for Psycho Drivers (just for you Kevin) and Ditzzy Dharma!

by Dylan Callens
Columnist

Sorry there was no column last week, but I had a few things to work out. First, I was traumatized by the whole Spaghettios thing (thanks to some people at a certain dinner at a certain restaurant) and secondly, I had a lawsuit with some pigeons (yeah, they were pretty upset about that article I wrote on them). Now all of that is straightened out and everything is back to normal. In order to deal with these sorted affairs, however, I created a new friend, his name is Bubbles.

Many people feel that "imaginary" friends don't exist, hence the term, "imaginary". I disagree, Bubbles is one of the most delicious people ever, for you see, Bubbles is made of chocolate. It is a chocolate hermaphrodite. How much more sensual can this picture get? A person made of pure Swiss chocolate

and able to satisfy themselves: the perfect being? Moreover, Bubbles has a magnificent personality. Don't take my word for it, let Bubbles do the talking.

"Hello, I'm Bubbles. As Dylan said, I am a chocolate hermaphrodite. One day as I was walking towards the bank, I noticed that nobody was the same as I, so I asked Dylan, 'Why am I different?' He replied, 'I created you this way, therefore you are what I think. I think, therefore you are what you are.'

"I thought that this was an odd answer, but one I could deal with. It still isn't easy being made of chocolate because at times people walk up to me and take a bite out of my shoulder. Please, I beg you, stop trying to eat me. I'm here to eat myself, when I feel like it.

"From what I understand, Dylan was going through some tough times, with the pigeons and

Spaghettios, and whatever else he was doing, so I was created. He is my Frankenstein, and like Frankenstein he will not create another in my own image."

I told Bubbles, "I will not create another like herma-self," because I don't think society is ready for the goodness of a second chocolate hermaphrodite. Perhaps in the future, when men have traveled to Alpha Centauri and I get my contact lens in the mail (men will travel to different solar systems before I actually get something I need in the mail), then and only then will I create another like Bubbles. In an imperfect world, things of perfection are not easy to accept, things like Bubbles.

PS - The Spice Girls won how many awards? Let's be serious, do we need more empirical evidence that God does not exist?

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Tales From The Right The Big Picture

by William D. Morin
Guest Columnist

If one opens their eyes, they should be able to see that the fabric of society is slowly becoming torn. Torn right under our eyes without many of us knowing it is even happening. The enemy responsible for undermining society walk freely among us spreading their propaganda of untruths and blatant lies. The enemy whom we must purge from our free nation are none other than the unruly gangs of disgruntled left wing Marxists. They call themselves "proud Socialists." Lets not mince words. I call them Communists.

North America, the bastion of capitalism makes its living on trade and industry. Simple economics: supply and demand. The "proud Socialists" believe that everything should be handed to them on a plate. If their intentions are to better society, they should be condoning and supporting economic summits such as the recent APEC conference, not organizing civil disobedience and

labeling it "a show of resistance." Just really who do they think they are fooling? In an age where we live in a global village, we have to aggressively compete in order to stay afloat in the quagmire of politicking and foreign investment. It all boils down to Darwinian Law. Survival of the fittest. Which is currently NOT us. We crumble under the threat of union walkouts and strikes. Unions have outlived their usefulness. Their only function currently is to drain the profit margin of industry. We cannot continue to successfully compete in a monetary world, when we lack precious currency, which could have been used for important things, such as research and development. Unions are the nemesis of efficiency. In a time where corporations need to streamline in order to stay afloat, unions decide to pull their antics.

It has been a long known fact that looking at short term scenarios usually spells long term disas-

ter. The, "we want more for free!" chant of the left spells chaos and disorder for all. The time has come where we must all tell these "proud Socialists" to wake up and smell the coffee. Socialism has already proven itself a dead end. Why then, do we put up with these traitors to society? Yes, I call them traitors, because they clearly do not have the best interests of the nation in mind. They are more worried about themselves than the whole. Small picture versus big picture. We on the responsible right see the big picture. That picture does not include the left.

Ovide Mercredi's next three public lectures:

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March 4
April 1

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Enter Stage Left Tories Hate the CFS, Go Figure

by Todd Bosak
Columnist

Isn't it interesting that the very same week the Canadian Federation of Students holds its National Day of Action against student debt, we see a column here in *Lambda* calling the Federation 'ineffective'? This coming from the campus representative of the party which has raised your tuition more than thirty per cent, over the past two years, here in Ontario. The very fact that the attack came, tells me that Tories on campuses across Ontario are feeling the heat. Could it be that it is becoming obvious that during the next election, Tories will fare little better than a narc at a biker rally (thank you Dennis Miller) when it come to getting student votes? Could it be that they have an axe to grind against the organization that has been most effective

in showing neo-conservatism for what it is - anti student?

The CFS is the only student organization that combines lobbying on your behalf with direct action. On behalf of its 430,000 members, the CFS dialogues with all levels of government. Ever since I can remember, the CFS has been alerting the public and politicians of all political stripes of the need for student-friendly policy. Whether it's the need for grants, the need for a tuition freeze or the need for a travel discount on Via Rail, no-one has stood up for us like the CFS.

On top of its political role, the CFS runs student services. It owns Travel Cuts as well as running the ISIC student travel discount program. Do you really think that membership in one of the other student organiza-

tions will get you forty per cent off VIA? I don't think so. Also, it runs a 'student saver' discount card program in every community that has a Federated student association (the discount at Gloria's being my local favourite). Finally, it runs the Student Work Abroad program, known as SWAP.

Somehow, none of these programs seem 'ineffective'.

The CFS is one of four student organizations across the country. It is the only one to be represented in each region, it is the only one to feature small and large universities, and it is the only one to include both colleges and universities in its membership. These facts impress government. This is why they listen

to the CFS over the other organizations.

Contempt from the right is the sincerest form of flattery when it comes to an organization that works for student rights. If anything, it should be a badge of shame for student organizations such as OUSA or CASA that so many Tories feel so at home. When it comes to judging whether or not an organization is an effective vehicle for putting forth a pro-student agenda, I think we should ask ourselves a few questions about the campus conservatives. Perhaps the 'tales from the right' can dedicate a column featuring the role of the campus right in the fight for an accessible Laurentian University.

As far as the CFS goes: activist, perhaps; diverse, certainly; but ineffective, NEVER.

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National Day of Action

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(and night) in Winnipeg. Approximately 250 students from the University of Winnipeg and a much smaller contingent from the University of Manitoba blocked traffic in front of a government building while waving banners and picket signs and blowing whistles.

Lisa Shaw, who works with the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, a progressive think tank, told the crowd that it had gained the attention of politicians.

"By coming out here today, you can have a victory against student debt by making it be addressed and making the politicians look at it. And by coming out and blocking traffic in downtown Winnipeg, I think they're going to listen," she said.

Later in the afternoon a group of approximately 100 students occupied the constituency office of premier Gary Filmon. As the day wore on, numbers dwindled, with approximately 30 staying the night. Authorities allowed the occupiers to come and go as they pleased. Several unhappy students left during the night, saying the sit-in had become more of a party than a political action.

A number of students rejoined the occupation the next day, and it ended peacefully that afternoon without incident.

Liz Carlyle, president of the U of W student union and national chair elect for the federation, says she thought the occupation was important to get the students' message

across.

"There hasn't been an occupation in Manitoba for some time. I think it's about time something like this happened because the provincial government has been ignoring our requests for a long time," she said. "I think the occupation was a good idea because it shows, not just to the politicians but also to the public that students are pretty well at the end of their rope."

Events were more somber at Simon Fraser University in B.C., where the focus of discontent Jan. 28 and for the past two weeks has been a large brick wall erected by the student union to represent the extent of student debt.

Students had the opportunity to write their student loan debts on the bricks that made up the wall. Debts as high as \$60,000 were recorded. The wall grew to cover an area over eight feet high and 12 feet wide. Maya Russell, student union treasurer, says the total debt written on the wall added up to \$8.28-million.

Several hundred students from Northern Ontario colleges and universities gathered together at Laurentian University in Sudbury for the first-ever collective rally of students in the northern region of the province.

"Overall, I think we sent the government a clear message that students have had enough. We had a couple hundred students from all across Northern Ontario, which was a first. It was an overwhelming success," Jennifer Chamberland, an ex-

ecutive member of Laurentian's student union, said.

On their way to Sudbury, students from Nipissing University, where tuition fees makes up more than 50 per cent of the operating budget, took a 'Stop the Cuts' bus tour checking out the food banks, transition houses and other areas impacted by provincial government cutbacks.

The tour wrapped up at provincial premier Mike Harris's constituency office, where the students left a small graveyard, indicating accessible post-secondary education is dead.

Because January's massive ice storm hampered organizing efforts, the Day of Action was pushed forward in Quebec to Feb. 11.

But at a press conference Jan. 28, Anna Kruzynski, chair of the Quebec component of the CFS, spoke of how the corporate sector was undermining public post-secondary education. This was vividly illustrated by a mural presented at the conference, which had the Montreal stock exchange lit up with all the colleges and universities in the dark.

Kruzynski says during the ice storm downtown Montreal was black except for the exchange. There were hundreds of thousands of people freezing in the dark and the financial district went on business as usual, she says.

"It was a metaphor for the corporations taking over and leaving us all in the dark," she said.

Hampton brings 'Dialogue for Change' to LU

by Norman Shields
News Editor

On the heels of the Day of Action demonstration at LU and across the country, Howard Hampton, provincial leader of the New Democratic Party, brought his Dialogue for Change campaign to LU.

The campaign, according to NDP organizers, is to sound out the Ontario public on provincial policy issues such as education, health care and social services.

Not surprisingly, Mr. Hampton, who was accompanied by Shelley Martel, MPP for Sudbury East, and the retiring Floyd Laughren, MPP for Nickel Belt, reserved harsh criticism of the Mike Harris Progressive Conservatives.

Mr. Hampton accused Mr. Harris of having made the choice to reward the "wealthiest Ontarians" with his provincial tax cut at the expense of health care and education. He said that Ontarians in the average wage bracket, \$33,000 per annum, would be able to afford "an extra cup of coffee" every week (\$1.40), while those in the \$100,000 range would see "lucrative" results, the \$150,000 range "very lucrative" and in the \$200,000 range "a new Mercedes".

The idea of a tax cut to stimulate consumer spending, said Mr. Hampton, is not the innovation of Mr. Harris. In implementing the strategy, he is following in the footsteps of former Prime Minister of

England, Margaret Thatcher, and former President of the United States, Ronald Reagan. Both leaders used tax cuts to stimulate their respective countries' economies in the 1980's. In both instances, according to Mr. Hampton, the results were higher unemployment and "a larger gap between the haves and have-nots."

Moreover, there was no evidence that the cut led to spending that would stimulate economic activity.

"Reagan's tax cut was spent in international markets and on conspicuous spending," said Mr. Hampton.

"I think there are other choices [than tax cuts]. I think

there are better choices," said Mr. Hampton, "including investment in students [in order] to meet the knowledge-based economy."

Mr. Hampton also stressed the "great productivity advantage" of a public health care system and a highly skilled and educated work force. These were factors, agreed Mr. Laughren, in Chrysler's decision to build its mini-vans in Windsor during the NDP's run of the province. Nevertheless, the provincial Tories, said Mr. Hampton, are moving to the adoption of American models of health care and education delivery.

For post-secondary education, said Mr. Hampton, this would mean a few private institutions with very high tuition, juxtaposed against "assembly line" state universities whose philosophy would be "cram 'em in, and push 'em out."



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CASA defends press release

by Carl Warren and Ed Janzen
The Varsity and The Manitoban

OTTAWA (CUP) - Some people are scratching their heads over a recent press release put out by the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations.

The release, entitled "CASA encouraged by CFS Support for National Grants," thanks the Canadian Federation of Students for supporting their proposal to implement a national system of grants.

"CASA today expressed its gratitude towards the CFS for joining in CASA's battle to get student grants made into a national priority," the document states.

The alliance, which represents 13 student councils across Canada, made this declaration Jan. 22, just days after the 400,000 member-strong federation publicly announced the Jan. 28 Day of Action, which had the theme Stop Student Debt, National Grants Now.

"It's an interesting revision of history, to put it bluntly," Jennifer Story, deputy chair of the federation, said.

She points to the fact that

the federation has been fighting for a system of national grants since its inception 17 years ago. At the 1981 Canadian Federation of Students founding meeting, the federation adopted its first campaign, entitled 'Grants not Loans.'

"We've always, always, always fought for grants," Story said "We were vocal when the provinces were cutting grants, which is what led us to the debt crisis that [has of late] stepped up the campaign for national grants."

And federation documentation shows that precursors to the CFS supported national grants as far back as the '50s and '60s. For example, one such group supported a 1963 proposal by Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson to introduce a student assistance program comprised of 10,000 scholarships worth \$1,000 each.

Two years after the federation's creation, then secretary of state Gerald Regan promised the group that the federal government would introduce a new student aid plan that year which would include a grants component. None was forthcoming

Always In Our Hearts. Renée Sweeney 1974 - 1998.



I once knew an Angel
She lived among us
Was sent for a short time
To teach all of us

How to live and how to laugh
How to give and how to love
Then was asked to return
To the heavens above

Her friends, the Angels
Could no longer wait
To see her bright smile
That lit up their place



And though sadly missed
Here on this day
We'll see her again
The Angel, Renée

Ring the bells that still can ring.
Forget your perfect offering.
There is a crack in everything.
That's how the light gets in.
-Leonard Cohen



It was with great sadness and regret that we learned of the untimely and violent death of our peer and fellow Laurentian University student, Renée Sweeney. Our thoughts and condolences go to her family and close friends.

We have all been deeply affected by this tragic event.

-Laurentian University Women's Centre



Don't be afraid your life will end;
Be afraid that it will never begin.
-Grace Hansen



When I must leave you
for a little while,
Please go on bravely
with a gallant smile
And for my sake
and in my name,
Live on and do
all things the same -
Spend not your life
in empty days,
But fill each waking hour
in useful ways -
Reach out your hand
in comfort and in cheer,
And I in turn will comfort you
And hold you near.

-Helen Steiner Rice



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In memory of Renée Sweeney, the History Society is selling t-shirts and donating all of the proceeds to the Memorial Fund in her name. Each shirt is \$15.00, in sizes large and extra large. They are grey with the History Society logo on the front. They are available for purchase in the History Department.

Why Black History Month?

by Sarah MacDonald
features editor

Why exactly do we need an entire month of the year dedicated to raising awareness about black history? What makes black history so special that it merits its own month of the year? To find the answers to these questions, we must look back several hundred years, through the centuries and right up into the present. Conventional treatment of black history has simply been that it did not exist. It has been a commonly held belief that there has been no significant contribution to history, culture, literature, or any other aspect of society by Africans or other Black civilizations. The extent to which this belief is wrong is astounding. It has only been because of ignorance and racism that black history has been repressed, distorted, and stolen not only from black people but from scholars and students of all races.

The movement for Black History Month began as a response to this mutilation of black history and as a defense against the attack on black heritage and culture. Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, an African American scholar with a PhD. from Harvard began the movement to counteract

the ignorance and deliberate distortion of black history and the initial result was "Negro History Week". But one week of the year proved to be wholly insufficient to bring attention to black history and the need to study and recognize it. It eventually transformed into Black History Month as it has been known as throughout North America since 1926.

Black History Month is an opportunity to explore the important contributions of many different peoples to many different areas. It is an occasion to examine collective ingenuity, creativity, cultural and political experiences. Black History Month allows an entire heritage and culture to be reclaimed, a pride to be taken back, and an identity to be established. Not only does this observance give self-esteem and cultural empowerment to black cultures, it educates non-blacks and helps to eliminate ignorance and possibly fight racism.

The importance to all races of having a rich, broad, and recognized history cannot be underestimated. It is through this common heritage that a sense of racial identity and esteem, within each race and to others, is developed. Black History Month il-

lustrates to all races the important contributions made to global culture by black people the world over. Any study of history, the arts, or any other field, that does not consider the participation of Black and African people will be sorely lacking and a far from complete picture.

Take a glance through any history textbook or literary anthology; how much of it expresses a black perspective or extols the contributions and strides made by black individuals or societies? How can any sort of accurate depiction of events be given if a vast portion of the population is denied representation? Black History Month is an active countermeasure to this pervasive Eurocentric perspective. The only problem is that it is confined to one month of the year. What a sad statement that black history is only brought into the collective conscious for an allotted time. What if we were aware of white history for only one month of the year?

In honour of Black History Month, check out what sort of seminars, presentations, and speeches are being offered. Expand your horizons and explore the diverse, and impressive world of black history.

Underground Railroad

By Karen Thistle
staff writer

"The first slave who helped a fellow slave escape drove the first stake in the invisible railroad."

Flight to Freedom, by Henrietta Buckmaster

Black people are one of America's oldest minorities. Many were brought to America as slaves or indentured servants as far back as 1619. Historically slavery was legal in the United States, and a slave held little to no rights. Not recognized as citizens, slaves who were free often ran the risk of being returned to slavery. In Maryland in 1717, any freed slave who married a white person was returned to slavery for life. Virginia passed a law which stated that an emancipated person could be bought back into slavery if they remained in the state for more than one year. Those who managed to gain and keep their freedom were still barred from most employment and denied rights such as voting, owning property and holding public office.

The passage of the Fugitive Slave Act in the United States in 1850 meant that thousands of free black slaves who were living in the North would be captured and returned to slavery and bondage. In Canada those who were sympathetic to abolitionist ideals formed the Canadian Anti-Slavery Society in 1851 to help refugees escape. By forming the underground railroad, many Americans and Canadians helped slaves escape across the boarder often at great risk. This network of people sheltered escaped slaves and helped smuggle them across the boarder.

The desire for freedom sent more than two thousand slaves out of the South every year. The want and need for freedom was not a new idea. When Spanish explorers first landed

in America (present day South Carolina) in 1526 with black slaves, the first slave uprising took place. Between the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, over two hundred revolts and well-planned uprisings occurred.

In order for slaves to reach the Canadian border and freedom, many well-laid routes were established. All routes led to the Great Lakes, some coming from Ohio and others, Pennsylvania. Ohio had many residence who had left the South because they did not agree with slavery. Many fugitive slaves were able to find help and support any place along the Ohio river, until they reached the centre of the state where they traveled through the woodlands with the help of the Odawa Indians. Pennsylvania help came from a large number of Quakers, who felt that slavery was against God's will. They were quick to help and befriend. No matter the route taken, the goal was the same - Canada.

That is not say that there was no risk in participating in the underground railroad. In 1793 any slave who was captured was sent back to slavery. Anyone caught helping a slave was fined five hundred dollars. But those willing to help knew that they needed quick wits and imagination more than anything else. By 1818 most supporters knew who could and could not be trusted. Many runaway slaves were transported by night, house to house where they were hidden by day. Many were hidden on ships and sailed to freedom while others relied on new friends to help ease their journey by foot.

Quakers helping with the underground railroad presented some problems.

While they were against slavery, they were also compelled to follow the laws of their States. In order to help, they found loopholes in the laws which allowed them to help with a clear conscience. When asked if they were harboring slaves they were able to say no because they did not see these people as slaves. For them there were no such creatures as slaves. They saw these people as friends in need of help. Other loopholes were found in the laws which allowed recaptured slaves to be kept in the North, often being in court for days, just long enough for their capturers to give up in search of more lucrative finds.

Although many slaves made it to Canada, when the Civil War broke out in 1861, many of these freed slaves went back to the States and fought with the Northerners who believed in abolishment. The Emancipation Act of 1863 saw the abolition of slavery in the United States. Many former slaves returned to the US after Emancipation having found temporary refuge in Canada but no more tolerance or acceptance then they had experienced in the States. Canada's harsh climate, lack of family and opportunity left little for the free person to hope for. However, Canada did offer freedom of person, and safety. Most important was the offering of self-respect.



Black and Canadian

by Lyle E. Talbot

written on the occasion of the National Black Awards Day Dinner, April 20, 1974, Toronto, Canada as appears in "Black Canadians: A Long Line of Fighters", by Headley Tulloch.

Blackness is what?
A pigmentation of the skin?
A texture of the hair?
Nostrils that flare?
Lips seldom thin?
A toothy grin?
Or is it but a state of mind
An attitude t'ward white mankind?
A pride in being black, you say?
A history from us hid away;
A feeling of somehow being right
Even in conflict with the white;
A 'black is beautiful' type pride,
A free and easy soulful stride?
Is it knowing how to sing
And dance and do our thing?
Or bad-talking with the man,
And hurling curses at the Klan,
Western Guard or migration ban?

Blackness to many of us means
To have a door slammed in our face;
To lose a chance because of race;
To study hard to get ahead
But to find the road is blocked instead.
To tell our kids to stay in school,
That things will change, just keep your cool.
It's knowing limits, bounds, taboos
And how to play the game and lose.

To be a Black and Canadian
Is great, but only if we see
The sham and the hypocrisy;
Not only in society
But in ourselves, who, double-tongued,
Preach unity, peace and brotherhood,
While each one seeks for his own good;
And when success does come his way,
Forgets that others toiled and prayed
And fought, too oft alone
For justice, jobs, houses and fun.

Blackness, then, means hanging on
In struggles common to us all;
Nor seeking fame, nor wealth nor power,
Nor accolades, nor praise of men
Who know not what true blackness is;
Whose rhetoric and whose loud harangue
Like blanks leave nothing but a bang.

Black and Canadian- that's the key!
Not Trinidad nor Guayanesa
Not Halifax nor Barbados
Nor Jamaica nor the West Coast;-

As long as we retain the walls
That separate us, we'll fall
For those who hold the reigns of power
Do not discern our origin.
Canadian born or West Indian,
They'll let us keep our difference
Of class and colour, talk and dress-
As long as we retain this mess
No one need come to our defence.

Black and Canadian
What's it mean?
It means our hope, our destiny.
It means a common bond between
To hold us- make us see
Our common problems, common cause,
Our common aims and purposes
If we deny this single thing
This common claim that we here bring-
Our Blackness- not who gets what
From whom and for how much,
We have denied our only chance
The cause of Blacks to thus advance.

As One declared long, long ago
When someone asked, "What must I do?"
"Let him who would be greatest, serve;
Not seeking reward, but common good;
Self must ever be denied
And cast aside with greed and pride."

Black and Canadian- let it be-
For thus alone can we be free.
Black and Canadian- Canadian Black-
We stand on guard for liberty!

The Origins of Black History Month

by Advit Nath
contributor

The celebration of Black History Month began when historian **Carter G. Woodson**, generally regarded as the father of African American history, initiated **Black History Week** in February 1926. In 1915, Woodson established the **Association for the Study of Negro Life and History** which was formed to continue the tradition of preserving the history of people of African descent. Four hundred years of colonial domination and slavery resulted in the distortion, omission, and underrepresentation of this history in every aspect. For these reasons, Woodson, as editor of the **Journal of Negro History**, recognized the necessity for students, teachers, and the general literary public to become aware of the achievements of African Americans. His Association annually celebrated the literary achievements of Black people, and expanded into a movement that enjoyed spectacular success for more than a decade.

From those modest beginnings, virtually all agencies with direct impact on the African American community, became involved in the activities, which later were extended to cover a month. Various themes such as the **black family, black education, black explorers, the black church, and black scientists** have been the focus for Black History Month. While at one level the aim is

to promote pride and self-esteem and enhance the cultural heritage of people of African descent, at another level the hope is that through these activities other racial groups would obtain a better understanding of the African tradition as well as the contributions of people of African origin throughout the new world diaspora.

In Canada, **Negro History Week** was first celebrated by the **Canadian Negro Women's Association** in 1957. In 1979, the one year old **Ontario Black History Society** petitioned the mayor of Toronto to issue the proclamation making February Black History Month. February was chosen because it included the birthdays of **Frederick Douglass**, a well known Black Freedom fighter who helped slaves escape via the Underground Railroad, and **Abraham Lincoln**, the former President of the United States who freed slaves during the U.S. Civil War.

Few can doubt the enormous strides that have taken place in bringing to the public important aspects of the African American/ African Canadian past. Through Black History Month, it is hoped that we all become more aware of the significant aspects that Black people have played in enriching Canada's experience. Presumably, these special activities bear testimony in part to the richness of the Canadian cultural heritage, and point to a greater appreciation and tolerance in others toward the diverse

cultures on which this nation is bound.

It would be disingenuous, however, for me to suggest that all is well as the larger Canadian society has shaped and continues to reshape Afro-Canadian culture. In order to be in a position to appreciate, we first need to be educated about these contributions and the context in which they evolved. Educators should reexamine their syllabi and curriculum to ensure inclusion of material relating to people of African origin. Students from all walks of life should inquire about the role of African people in almost every area of study. Clearly, we need to redouble our efforts throughout the year until we achieve that goal.

When all persons and groups more readily recognize and appreciate the contributions and culture of African people, a month-long slate of activities may no longer constitute the main direction for highlighting the achievements of African people all over the world. Only then will our collective consciousness be better informed by the knowledge of how cultural diversity has enriched our lives.

When that time arrives, perhaps a special day or week might still be needed for a celebration and remembrance. Until then, it is upon us all to appreciate and further the goals and aims of Carter G. Woodson and the other honourable founders of Black History Month.

The Heart of African Kwanzaa

by Grace Angeles and Advit Nath
contributors

Spears scintillate in the traditional ambiance of African temperament, masks obscure the faces of warriors, and African drums pulsate with every elapsing second. Kwanzaa has begun and African people are together once again. This is a time of commemoration and the hearts of all African people are consolidated. Kwanzaa signifies this virtuous beginning of unity and consonance through its unique seven day celebration observed in December of each year. Much can be discerned from the celebration, and its principles serve to unite diverse African American/ Canadian and Caribbean population through non-religious means. Kwanzaa has been acclimated from annual agricultural festivals that represent an integral part of the African tradition. The word Kwanzaa originates from the Swahili language and ensues from the phrase "mantunda ya

kwanza", which in Swahili means "the first fruits of the harvest".

Dr. Maulana Ron Karenga began Kwanzaa in 1966 as a celebration specific to people of African descent in order to unify and reassert traditional values. It renders a time to provide reminder of the seven principles, one for each of the seven days. In Swahili these are: Umoja (Unity), Kujichagulia (Self-determination), Ujima (Responsibility), Ujamaa (Co-operative Economics), Nia (Purpose), Kuumba (Creativity), and Imani (Faith).

Kwanzaa is meant to signify a non-materialistic holiday, with any gifts being endowed being handmade, or celebrating as an aspect of African American/ Canadian and Caribbean life. Children in public schools in some countries now learn about Kwanzaa as one of the important celebrations of the December holiday season. Some Unitarian Universalist churches celebrate

Kwanzaa on the first Sunday after Christmas, ensuing a merriment and enticing program with storytelling, African musicians African foods, African fashions, seminars, workshops and dances. Its activities are family and community oriented, and "zawadi", or gifts of cultural significance, are exchanged during the festival.

The ideals of the holiday, collectively known as the "Nguzo Saba", are enshrined through a daily candle-lighting ceremony. On each of the seven days, a candle is lit, and the principles of the day are deliberated and discussed. Candles of disjunctive colours epitomize different meanings. Red candles signify the struggle of the African people, black candles represent the African people, and green candles insinuate hope. The candles are usually placed in a seven-armed candle holder, underneath which a straw mat, symbolic of tradition (a foundation on which to build on) is found.

Fruits and vegetables are a part of the celebration because they exemplify the products of a unified effort. Children constitute an eminent part of Kwanzaa, and each ear of corn represents a child. A feast of African foods concludes Kwanzaa ensuing a sip from a communal cup of sparkling wine.

An estimated 20 million people of African descent celebrate Kwanzaa across the globe. An increasing number of cities are also beginning to sponsor Kwanzaa programs and hopefully soon Canada will embrace Kwanzaa, for it is a time for reflection and pristine beginning, a time to reap the "fruits of the harvest."

The Story of Josiah Henson

Josiah Henson began life as a slave and became, over the course of his lifetime, an important activist, educator, and humanitarian. He has been identified by history with the fictional character "Uncle Tom" in Harriet Beecher Stowe's widely read *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. This explosive novel set in motion the anti-slavery sentiments of its time, contributing very greatly to the eventual abolition of slavery in the U.S. The legacy of Uncle Tom to posterity, and to blacks in particular, is one of a well-mannered, trusting and loyal servant. "Uncle Tom" is today a negative term used to stereotype blacks who exhibit these tendencies towards white people.



Josiah Henson was not an "Uncle Tom" and legend should not be permitted to obscure the character and accomplishments of the real man. Henson was the first black Canadian of national and international importance. He was born a slave, June 15, 1789 in Maryland. At the age of 18, he became a Christian, and at 22 he married and eventually

had 12 children. He became a preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was to be sold as a slave at auction in New Orleans, however he was not sold, and this event became the catalyst for his escape to freedom. He ended up in Upper Canada in 1830 with his wife and children.

Once in Canada, the preacher became an activist who began helping other fugitives like himself. His major focus consisted in providing his people with the two most important factors for prosperity; land and education. In 1836, Henson met Hiram Wilson, an anti-slavery activist, and the two began the British-American Institute in 1842. After a great deal of fund-raising, they finally were able to accept 12 students to learn various trades.

Eventually a settlement of about 500 people developed on the 1500 acres of land surrounding the school. The settlers cultivated tobacco, wheat and oats and were fully self-sufficient. He learned how to read and write after coming to Canada, and wrote his widely read autobiography, *The Life of Josiah Henson*. He traveled widely in Canada, the U.S. and England raising money for the Institute and the settlement. Josiah Henson emphasized the need for self-reliance and co-operative effort. He gave his people pride. Never one to be compliant, Josiah Henson was a leader and a visionary who showed many Black Canadians a new and independent way of life.



Harriet Tubman (left) with some of her 'passengers', many in the same situation as Josiah Henson.

Black History Month at Laurentian

Despite the fact that the month of February is Black History Month, as a result of the interference of Reading Break, Laurentian will be observing Black History Week, from Monday, February 23 till Saturday, February 28. At the time this article went to press, not all of the details of events planned for Black History Week had been finalised. Please contact Cindy Henriquez, the SGA/AGE director of cultural affairs for details of time and place for specific events. Below is a

list of scheduled activities.

Monday February 23- **Keynote Address** (speaker TBA)
Tuesday February 24- **Movie night and discussion**
Wednesday February 25- **Talk on oppression**
Thursday February 26- **Cultural Music at the Pub**
Friday February 27- **Black Comedians at the Pub**
Saturday February 28- **Concert** (band TBA)



by Mutshipayi Mbingila

African Caribbean Student's Association

Once again it's February, and now the year is 1998. What is this Black History Month? What progress or change, big or small, did the Black History Month from last year have on our perception of Black people? What change did it make on our perception of reality? Most people won't reflect on this question because they feel it is totally of no importance to them.

This universe is created in truth, therefore truth must be the principle underlying everything in existence, either its spiritually, intellectually, historically, economically, etc. All our activities must be based on truth. But the problem is that a lot of people are deprived of the truth, that particular truth that will bring equilibrium to world balance. And the reason why most people are deprived of the truth is to keep one group of people on top to dominate by oppressing and deceiving other people. The people in the world who are in the worst state of suffering are the dark people in Asia, in Africa, in America, in the Caribbean, etc. It is the end of this century and a lot of people still do not know who the black people really are, where they come from and what their role in the world is.

It has been proven that the Aboriginal people, meaning the first people, on this planet are the black people. If you have doubt you can

always take a look at Dr. Lecchi's work, he is one of the prominent anthropologist in the world. Genetically speaking, the great age of the black race has also been proven. According to the laws of Mendell, a dominant gene can produce a recessive gene, but a recessive gene cannot produce a dominant gene. Most of the features in the so-called Negroes show the presence of a dominant gene, for instance, the presence of melanin, the kinky nappy hair, the dark brown eyes and the list goes on. Wherever we go on this planet, we will see the presence of the Black man or a sign that he has been there previously, before anybody else. We have black people in Australia, in Asia (the Dravidian), in the Middle East, in Africa.

According to Dr. Ben Jochanau in his book **African Origin of Western Civilization** even the Gremaldies, who are the aboriginal people of Europe, are also black people. Dr. Henry Clark, Dr. Khalid Muhammad, Chancellor Williams, Godfrey Higgins, and many more scholars have agreed that the ancient civilizations of Babylon, Sumer, Arabia, Egypt, were genuine black nations. Just the same as the case in Canada, one group of people have become the majority and the dominate group, and now the country is taking the appearance of Multiethnicity, but we'll still have to acknowledge the status of the First

Nations of Canada as the native and aboriginal people. The same principle applies for the status of black people on most of the land on this planet. We might have different texture of hair, skin, language and different shades of our blackness, but we are still the same people. Either we've been called Banto, Somalian, Indian, West Indians, Australian, ETC. were still the same black people. We are the Asiatic black Nation, not Asian, but Asiatic. At one time all the continents were one mass of the land and it's used to be called Asia; the Original Man is native of Asia, Therefore is an Asiatic. The continent of Africa is our base but the planet earth is our home.

We have a history that is rich because it goes way back to the founding of the planet. We can determine the age of the most of the races of humanity but cannot determine the age of the black race, we'll have to go to millions and trillions years ago. The sciences that were used to know is far higher than what modern scientist know today. One of the reasons why we don't know this is because those civilizations have disappeared, vanished and buried deep in the womb of the earth and deep under our waters. The ones that we can still see the monuments are controlled by other people instead of descendants of the original ruler of the place. Egypt is the most documented ancient civilizations. Cheick Anta Diop has proven without a doubt that the original Egyptian who built and ruled that civilization were Black African people. He has proven that fact linguistically, culturally and Biologically. If you

examine closely the sciences of the ancient Egyptians we'll see that a lot of the scientific "so called" discoveries attributed to the Greek scientists such as Pythagora, Socrates, ETC. We are knowledge that was literally taken from African libraries when the continent got invaded. Did you know that the formula of relativity ($E=MC^2$) attributed to Einstein is the Egyptian Obelisk and in the eye of the god Horus? the reason why we don't know that, is because the facts have been tampered with for a specific purpose. And that's one of the reasons why black people are in the conditions they're in today, deprived of the truth about themselves.

Therefore we have to control our education and educate the other people in the human family. The word "Control," implies power to manage, direct and control the destiny of people. We can not have power without proper knowledge, for it's knowledge properly exercised and implemented that gives us power. Power is the ability to do what we want to do, power is the ability to remove the ones that stand in the way with what we want to do. We can not have power until we have proper knowledge is the prerequisite for power. But we must get the proper knowledge, the knowledge that we get in schools must enable us to be independent as people, not to be dependent on other people for jobs, for financial and economic assistance, for political moves, ETC.

Today the black people in the world are at the bottom of the pit because they haven't recovered from

the disaster of colonialism and from the biggest genocide in the human history which is slavery for 400 years. But not only that they haven't recovered, now there's some new agencies working under some international organizations that are perpetuating another genocide by straggling the economy of the black nations and manipulating the political situation and thus causing instability, chaos and wars. A lot of our leaders in this century have denounced and fought against this problem. People like Marus Garvey, Kwame Nkrumah, Lumumba, and Malcolm X. We can never forget them and a lot more matters that I didn't mention. A lot of them have been killed but their idea of total liberation of our people we'll never die.

Proper knowledge of ourselves and other people must be taught. The old world must be removed to make way for the new world. There is a universal struggle being waged by the old world against the beginning of the new world. Will the old world's opposition prevent the establishment of the new world? According to recognized history, the effects being made by the old world against the beginning of a new world will fail as did former opponents of a divine decrees. The first shall be last and the last shall be first.

This Black History month we must make an effort to know something new about the aboriginal people. This will be better for our current status, for our future and the future of our children

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by Sarah MacDonald
features editor

Black Canadian women have been and continue to be a force to be reckoned with, both nationally and internationally. This demographic group first came into recognition with the **Canadian Negro Women's Association**, which existed from 1951-1976. This was an organization that had its roots in a time before any organized movements for Black recognition had yet coalesced: Before "Black is beautiful", came the notion that Black women in Canada had something important and valuable to offer, and collectively, they could effect a change. Not only did the Association achieve these aims, they also promoted self-respect and self-esteem to Black people, as well as developing a growing respect for the Black community in the wider community.

A Strong Tradition

The women who made up the Association were concerned with the pursuit of racial, civil, and human rights. Their work ended up benefiting not only Black Canadians, but people of all races, class, and social conditions. It was in fact the **Canadian Negro Women's Association** who provided numerous scholarships to needy students over the years, initiated the celebration of Black History Month in Canada, acted as a media watchdog and policed authorities for prejudicial behaviour, and raised thousands of dollars for various charities and community projects.

One of the primary activities of the Association was the organization of the Calypso Carnival. This carnival began as a fundraising event for the Association's other initiatives. The original carnival featured a floor show, booths, Caribbean foods, and a dance. The enormous success and massive turnout stunned the members of the Association. This Calypso Carnival eventually transformed into **Caribana**, which continues to be an extremely popular celebration of Caribbean culture and heritage and is celebrated in Toronto every summer.

The Canadian Negro Women's Association also launched the first ever **National Congress of Black Women** on April 6, 1973. With the efforts of Kay Livingston, Aileen Williams, Verda Cook, and Eugenie Rose-Allen, the National Congress of Black Women brought together over 200 Black women from across Canada, with participation also coming from the West Indies and Africa.

Some of the topics addressed in the first Congress include; education, immigration, communications, and a spirit of cooperation, joint action, and community involvement. Today, the **Congress of Black Women of Canada** has over 600 members with 23 chapters are spread across the country.

Some of the main initiatives of the Congress consist of; "To provide a network of solidarity for Black women in Canada, and to be a united voice in the defense and extension of human rights and liberties for Black women in Canada; To foster a climate in which it is acceptable for Black women to openly examine the issues which affect us and our families; and, To plan and implement a program of education for Black women." The Congress addresses such issues as health, housing, racism, education, immigration, criminal law, police-community relations, and child development all in an effort to promote and achieve their initiatives.

Throughout Canadian history, Black women have been important actors, contributing not only to social activism but also to every aspect of Canadian culture and society. From the early migrant laborer and pioneer settler, through the midwives and school teachers to the present, Canadian Black women have changed the face of Canadian culture, politics, art, literature, and so much more. And this strong tradition of leadership, activism, and participation continues to grow.

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The times they are a-changin' at Dalhousie

by Andrew Simpson
Dalhousie Gazette

HALIFAX (CUP) - Legendary singer-songwriter Bob Dylan certainly has some avid fans at Dalhousie University.

Students have submitted a petition, some 400 signatures strong, to the university in an effort to have Dylan awarded an honorary degree.

"For the university to give Bob Dylan a degree is not so much an honour for Bob Dylan, but it signifies that the university recognizes him and his contributions to society and to students," Corinne Hewson, a Dalhousie student involved in the campaign, said.

"He makes you feel something, think something, which is enough. We're not talking about the Nobel Prize here," she added.

Jason McGroarty, another Dalhousie student involved in the campaign, says he believes Dylan is an ideal candidate, arguing the writer

and performer helps to link today's generation with that of the '60s.

"He was a representative for the '60s generation, but he also acts as a bridge between that generation and ours. His writing is still as relevant today as it was then," he said.

But not everyone would agree. Dylan sparked the ire of some when his '60s anthem to social change, "The Times Are A-Changin'," recently turned up in a Bank of Montreal ad campaign pitching a new banking service.

McGroarty says though it may be unconventional for an academic institution to honour a pop-culture icon, Dylan has a good chance of being chosen.

Dalhousie awarded Leonard Cohen, another singer-songwriter, with an honorary degree in 1971. And the university's English department offers a course on Dylan.

Up to eight honorary de-

grees are awarded by Dalhousie annually, from a list of over 40 nominations.

Shelly Drake, secretary for Dalhousie's Board of Governors, says a well-written nomination form often makes the difference.

"It often depends on how well the application is filled out... the [honorary degree] committee has nothing to go on but the information in front of them," she said.

McGroarty says the campaign is also important to demonstrate that students can effect change on campus.

"We've collected hundreds of signatures and we're continuing to circulate petitions," he said. "[O]ut of every 50 people I've talked to... we've got roughly forty-nine-and-a-half to sign."

"If Bob Dylan does get chosen it would definitely show that students have a voice on campus."

He adds that the Dylan campaign will serve as a stepping stone to getting students involved in other issues on campus.

We have a three-fold mandate: we want to get Bob Dylan an honorary degree, we want to get people involved, and we want to use the momentum of what we are doing to benefit other causes," McGroarty said.

The group organizing the campaign has already hosted a Bob Dylan night at a campus pub to raise the profile of their cause, and in the process raised money for Dalhousie's women's centre.

Student union vice-president Bridgette McCaig says the university should consider honouring Dylan because of the impact he has on students.

"Sitting through a two-hour ceremony can be tough, but seeing Bob Dylan stare back at you would be amazing."

"I can relate to Bob Dylan."

Actual Newspaper Headlines

Many of you have laughed at Lambda for our mistakes on the cover. Sure we have spelled Sudbury and Masturbation wrong, but check out this list of American newspaper headlines. We may seem a little out of it once in a while, but these guys take the cake. Read on and you will see what I mean:

- Include Your Children When Baking Cookies
- Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash, Expert Says
- Police Begin Campaign To Run Down Jaywalkers
- Safety Experts Say School Bus Passengers Should Be Belted
- Drunk Gets Nine Months in Violin Case
- Survivor Of Siamese Twins Joins Parents
- Iraqi Head Seeks Arms
- Is There a Ring of Debris Around Uranus?
- Prostitutes Appeal to Pope
- Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over
- Lung Cancer in Women Mushrooms
- Eye Drops Off Shelf
- Teacher Strikes Idle Kids
- Enraged Cow Injures Farmer With Ax
- Plane Too Close To Ground, Crash Probe Told
- Miners Refuse to Work After Death
- Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant
- Stolen Painting Found By Tree
- War Dims Hope for Peace
- If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last A While
- Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures
- Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide
- Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead
- Man Struck By Lightning Faces Battery Charges
- Kids Make Nutritious Snacks
- Local Highschool Drop Outs Cut in Half.
- Hospitals Sued By Seven Foot Doctors.

A Million And One Uses For a Chocolate Chip Muffin

by Nick Stewart
Staff Writer

Use #1007: Take a handful of ants, introduce them into your muffin and then wrap your muffin in saran wrap. Instant ant-farm.

Use #61926: Rip the head off the muffin, pretend it's a UFO and use it to reenact some of your favorite alien/UFO movies, such as E.T., Independence Day, Close Encounters of the Third Kind, and Socially Oppressed Lobster Men From Mars.

Use #761: Take a toothpick and dig out the chocolate chips from your muffin. Rip a hole in the top of the muffin and create a mini-golf course, using the toothpick as a club. Buy 18 muffins and create an entire course!

Use #895190: Douse the muffin with lighter fluid, light it on fire and throw it into the air as a flare...or just to create a chaotic fire hazard. Whichever.

Cinescreen Schedule

February 5 -
March 5

All shows listed will be playing at the City Centre Cinemas in theatre #3 nightly at 7 pm (unless otherwise listed). Admission is \$6.00 (except special presentations and cheap Tuesday).

February 5 - 8 **Boogie Nights** (start time is 6:30 pm)

Feb. 9 - 11 **Twilight of the Ice Nymphs**

Feb. 12 - 15 **Deconstructing Harry**

Feb. 16 - 18 **The Designated Mourner**

Feb. 19 - 22 **The Sweet Hereafter**

Feb. 23 - 25 **Shall We Dance?**

Feb. 26. **Special Presentation. Double Bill - Ulee's Gold and The Full Monty!**

Feb. 27 - March 2 **The Tango Lesson**

March 3 - 5 **In The Company Of Men**

Top Ten Reasons the '98 American Music Awards Sucked!

by Darryl Gascon
Contributor

If any of you watched the AMA's this year I'm sure you agree that it was the worst program in TV Monday night. I look forward to these awards every year and they just keep getting worse. This year I reached the end of my rope, so here are ten reasons why I would rather have watched Barney and his gang of happy little friends:

10. Opening Act: Janet Jackson. Was she singing? I don't think so!
9. Drew Carey: You're funny but try not to look like you are reading when you talk.
8. Erika Badu. I'm amazed she didn't fall over from being top heavy.
7. Three nominations per category. Gee, there's a grilling contest.
6. The group of accordions. I couldn't get a song from any of that noise.
5. Weird Al with no glasses. Since when?
4. The Spice Girls Rehearsing. Good idea but I already knew that they couldn't sing.
3. Reba MacIntire and her gospel group.
2. I know it's the 25th anniversary, but nobody cares who won 20 years ago.
1. Puff Daddy walks away empty handed. Yeah-right, that's realistic.

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If ever you need any of the Bard's works for free, visit this page. This place is, as the name would suggest, a collection of just about anything Shakespeare ever wrote. Most of the works are offered both as a webpage and as a plain ol' text file. This page also has links to other Shakespearean pages, and possesses a built-in search engine that allows you to hunt through his stuff for specific words or phrases.

Bert Is Evil! : <http://fractalcow.com/bert/bert.htm>

I KNEW it! Y'know, I've always had my suspicions about this guy. He always did seem to be the "creeping evil" type of Muppet, and now my suspicions are confirmed. This has ACTUAL (re: fake, made up, invented, created, not real) photos of Bert doing some truly evil and incriminating things, connecting him to such things as OJ, Hitler, the Unabomber, and even aliens. Be warned, though, this page isn't for kids, and if you're easily offended, I wouldn't suggest visiting here. For everybody else, though, visit here and get to know the REAL Bert...

Wolves Among Sheep

(Keeping Your Skull The Way It Is)

The pool table is one of the greatest sources for getting other people's money into your pocket, even if you have no real talent at the game. However, some of the greatest bets out there have absolutely nothing to do with pool at all. For the next several weeks I'll be concentrating more on these, because I feel that they deserve some attention. They're those kinds of things that, afterwards, leave your mark just standing there going "I can't believe I FELL for that...", which is pretty much why you want to have the money out on the table up front. Another good idea is to have a relatively objective third-party present to witness the entire thing, just in case your victim is of the "I Don't Agree With The Fact That I Lost So I'm Keeping My Money" or "I Don't Agree With The Fact That I Lost So I'm Going To Beat Your Skull In With A Barstool" schools of thought. Of course, you can usually identify these "bad losers" within about five minutes of talking to them, so keep an ear open. The one type of person you can count on to be a bad loser is a drunk one. I have never known any drunk person to ever believe that they're wrong, even when the truth is kicking them in the teeth. Consequently, very very few drunk people would ever believe that they actually lost a bet against you, and so most would argue 'til they pass out or until you cave in, whichever comes first. It's not a pleasant situation. What I guess I'm trying to say is to never, ever bet anything with a drunk person, unless you know this person extremely well. Okay, enough rambling, on with the show...

***All you need:**

- three shot glasses filled with scotch/rye/whatever
- three beer glasses filled with beer
- a sucker

*Bet the sucker that you can drink the three beer glasses before they drink the three liquor glasses. The only rule is that nobody can touch the other person's glass. Once the bet is on, quickly drink one glass of beer, flip it upside down and place it over one of the full liquor glasses. You can then take your time drinking your beer as the sucker cannot touch your glass to get at his/hers.

OVERLOAD

by Mat Thompson



Corruption Quiz '98 ... coming Soon!!!

Nickstradamus

A recent accident involving a large unforgiving steel door and my rather thick skull has unlocked another cache of prophecies in my brain (don't ask me to explain, I'm just hunting for excuses here...don't burst my excuse bubble). Like it or not, here they are...

1. I predict that Canada will continue to suck at the Olympics.
2. I predict that Rush Limbaugh will be discovered to be a creature composed entirely of cholesterol, bellybutton lint and chicken fat.
3. I predict that carnivorous chickens will subjugate the human race through infomercials and will put us all to work in Spam farms.
4. I predict that the cleft in David Hasselhoff's chin will become a tourist attraction but will eventually be destroyed by overzealous Timbuktuian terrorists.
5. I predict that hospital food will be declared a sentient race and will be given its own section in airplanes, restaurants, tanning salons and crack houses.
6. I predict that antifreeze will come in three delicious flavors: Jalapeno Crunch, Wintergreen and Urinal Fresh.
7. I predict that modern pop culture will violently implode in a billowing cloud of trite self-consciousness, and then will get hammered, drool all over itself and hit on the boss' wife at the office Xmas party.
8. I predict that plaid will be the symbol of terror for the new millennia, annihilating entire countries, a few million swallows and Camilla Scott with its destructive power.
9. I predict that all the shih tzus on the face of the planet will all spontaneously combust all at the exact same time for no apparent reason.
10. I predict that the Holy Short Fat Naked Tibetan Man that lives in my imagination will materialize and will remind me of my human frailty by ramming my head into a door.

YOUR LAMBDA HOROSCOPE

BY AURORA B. ALLES

CONTRIBUTOR

HERE IS YOUR LAMBDA HOROSCOPE FROM OUR RESIDENT PSYCHIC FOR READING WEEK!

Aries (March 21-April 19):

There is travel in your near future which will lead to relaxation. As the air sign, air travel may seem right, but an Aries and an airplane just don't mix. Plan an alternate means of transport which won't plummet from 40,000 feet. Maybe a paddle boat ride will suit you best.

Taurus (April 20-May 20):

Your plans to go home are cut short by an invite to spend reading week somewhere fun with friends. You will be torn between family and friends, but just remembering how much fun it is to drink beer and party with your parents and little sister will probably make the decision a little easier.

Gemini (May 21-June 20):

All your travel plans include a partner. As the twins, you feel more comfortable to do everything with your partner. Just be careful how much time you spend together as you tend to smother. Maybe a little time apart is needed. If you don't believe me, check under your partner's pillow and if there is any sharp objects hidden there, you may want to travel alone.

Cancer (June 21-July 22):

The beach is where you belong and that is where you are headed. By any means necessary is your motto and you are determined to get there. Watch out for Spring Break Package scams as you may end up in a tent on the shores of Lake Laurentian. Trust me,

if you get that sand in your shorts you are in for a cold shock!

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):

You are the plan maker, the MC, the central attraction. When you go home, everyone is sure to want to be around you 24/7. You want to please everyone, but you spread yourself out way too thin. Remember who your true friends are and who are just casual acquaintances. True friends are always there, but if you ditch them, they can cause the most serious injuries!

Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22):

The sweet, innocent sign of the zodiac. Everyone expects to see you go home for the break, but you have other plans. Shake off that Virgo stereotype and party 'till you can't find your underwear! You will be the party animal all week, but make sure you are carrying a card that signifies your blood type as they like to know that in detox!

Libra (Sept 23-Oct 22):

You could do many things over the break, but you can't figure out exactly what. The best way is to just pick something at random. Don't over analyze the situation or you will just be stuck in rez receiving postcards from many sunny destinations with pictures of naked hardbodies wrapped around your so-called friends!

Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21):

You are hard to please, and you want your break to be perfect. For once, just let loose and have fun. Go somewhere exotic. Eat cereal with a knife, read in the dark, and talk to anyone who looks in your direction. Be wild, be free, be the first LU student to end up in a jail in Tijuana!

Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21):

Your romantic ideas for the break may be marred by your partner's ideas for a fun family week. Don't be discouraged though, your partner still has some of the same ideas as you. Don't you remember how much more fun it was when you could have been caught. Do the family thing and remember, 3am on the main stairwell of their house is a nice discreet spot to... well, you get the picture!

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19):

Papers, papers and more papers. Your break looks to be a full week of working on school work as everyone else has fun. Just don't forget about that disk you kept from high school with all your old reports on it. A little polishing and you could be on your way to a sunny destination within days. Just make sure the papers are relevant to the class you are taking. A report on "My Cat Fluffy" may not go over well in 3rd year Sociology!

Pisces (Feb 19- March 20)

You want your break to be full of new experiences and sensations. You crave the bright colors, the exotic locations, and the new people you are going to meet. This sounds great, but after a while you are going to have to leave the chat room and turn your computer off and get some fresh air. Florida may sound fun, but in the cyber-world it is just another chat room on the information superhighway. Get out and get a life!

The Arena

by Nick Stewart

Staff Writer

It was an interesting battle, but only one person can emerge victorious. John Tesh, being bigger and stronger than his opponent, put up a pretty good fight, whaling on Ross Perot with his unicycle, and generally annoying him with the stench of the dead newt. Tesh, however, was no match for Perot's manic insanity, not to mention his prowess with paper clips. While wildly scampering and dodging Tesh's flailing unicycle, Perot managed to fashion some of the paper clips into a stabbing weapon. Tesh then made a fatal mistake and attempted to pick up Perot by his ears. Perot took this opportunity to poke out Tesh's left eye, and threw the live newt into his eye socket, which pretty much ended the fight right there. Perot then proceeded to have a victory snack and munched on the rabbit chow. Kinda gruesome battle, but hey, what the hell do you expect from Perot? Just try to imagine what would've happened had he become president...I mean, can you imagine this guy standing in front of the button? We'd all be glowing in time for Hee Haw...

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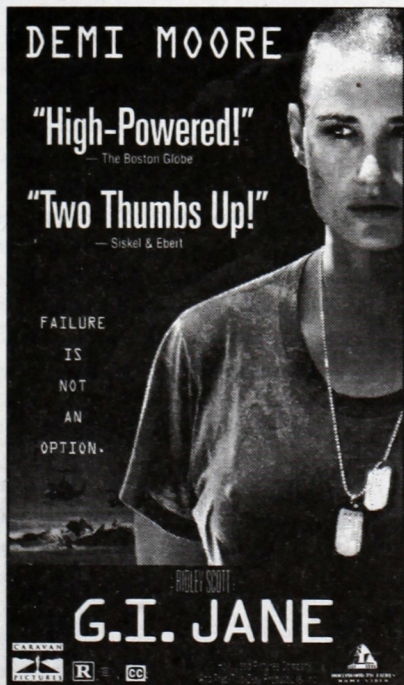
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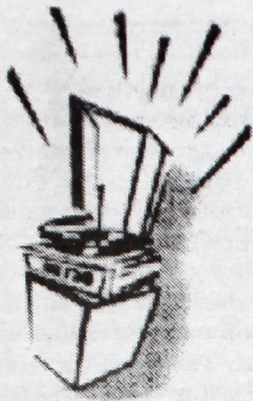
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LEND ME AN EAR

Reviews by Mat Thompson, Entertainment Editor.



Dropkick Me Jesus

If this name sounds a little familiar, they are the band playing the *Townhouse on Feb. 6* and *The Pub on the 7th*. So what is so great about this band? Well, ever since Seattle forced the alternative scene down our collective throats, 100% pure cut rock and roll has been on the endangered list. Only the strong have survived and there isn't much room for any new rock bands. It's a good thing that **Dropkick Me Jesus** don't care and with a debut album that rocks the shit out of you, you just have to pay attention.

Dropkick Me Jesus has released an album that bands like **Motley Crue**, **Poison**, **Warrant**, and other 80's rockers could only dream of. This is one of the best put together rock albums released in a long time! These guys play like veterans who survived the 70's and 80's rock scene and came out on top! Forget the new **Metallica** album (sorry Will!) but this is far superior!

Their sound is very similar to that of **Metallica** which is no insult. For a band to release a debut album that is as well done as this is almost unheard of in the indie world! **Dropkick** seem to know exactly what they are doing and it comes across on the album. The album starts with a dropkick to the head with tracks like *Pieces*, *Kickin' A Can* and *Hold Me Now*. These tracks should prove to the biggest skeptic that these guys mean business. But what is the true test of a rock band? That's right... the ballad. **Dropkick** has them and they complement as well as any could. Not too sweet and mushy, just slow enough for the rock fans to relax for a minute or two. One of the best tracks to hear the bands true talent (other than *Kickin' A Can*) is the hidden track about ten minutes after the final track is ended. A hidden ballad and guitar work that would make the masters of rock jealous!

Dropkick Me Jesus hails from the Toronto area where they have been building a name for themselves with the release of this debut album last year. They are on a university and college tour right now, so hopefully this exposure will get them more air-play on local stations and maybe send them into the spotlight! Check them out on the 6th or 7th, call your friends and tell them to look for

them at their school, just don't miss them. **Dropkick Me Jesus** is the Canadian rock band to see!

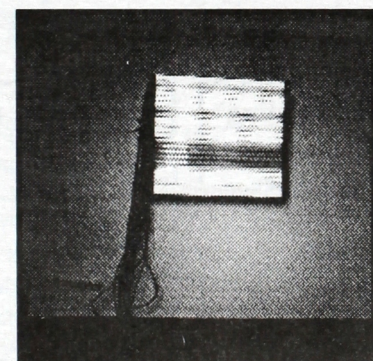


Black Lab - Your Body Above Me

Who are they and where do they come from? I have no idea but they are a pretty cool band. Once again, this is just another CD pulled at random from the entertainment desk CD stack with no bio and nothing to go on but the music.

Black Lab is an interesting alternative band that reminds me of **Our Lady Peace** from the *Naveed* album and **U2** from the earlier years mixed together. **Black Lab** has that laid back, not so commercialized sound that **U2** used to hold before their free fall into patheticness (*Discotheque*). The sound is still raw and untouched the way they want to play it.

The album contains 12 tracks that exemplify the true talent that this band holds. Their lead singer belts out the songs with a very *Bono-like* sound while the drummer pounds out a beat that seems to be the driving force of the group. **Black Lab Your Body Above Mine** is available now on MCA Records and should not be that hard to find. This is one of those gems among the heap albums that should be listened to. Check it out, **Black Lab** is great!



Transister

Picture Hole and **Veruca Salt**, mixed with **Jewel** and a little **Beck** and you have a pretty good picture of what **Transister** is like. They are a pretty alternative rock group that can scream with the best of them, but can also sing a ballad with the little child voice of **Jewel** and all her followers.

This self titled album contains 11 tracks covering (as I have mentioned) different styles of the alternative scene. It's not a bad little album, but it's a hard album to get into with all the changes throughout. You first get into the hard alternative style with the first few tracks, then all of a sudden the album turns into another **Jewel** rip off, then into a different

alternative style all together. The songs are good, but the set up is strange.

I can't fully recommend this CD as it is strange to listen to, but if you do like these styles of music, maybe you will like it. I just can't truly see this album being that appealing to many people.



The Wedding Present - George Best Plus

Yet again, another CD with no bio information whatsoever. The CD cover doesn't help and no one can seem to tell me anything about this band. All I know is that (as the CD booklet says) "*This CD compiles The Wedding Present's first album and final two singles on Reception records; the bands own label. The recordings were made in 1987 and 1988.*" Okay, that's fine but what about the other tracks? Are they new or just more old stuff?

Anyway, this album contains 23 tracks from the Brit-Rock group including a cover of the **Lennon/McCartney** song *Getting Better*. For fans of British, late 80's rock this would be an interesting album. The sound is very late 80's which is a nice return for those of us who liked the 80's and the music it produced. I have no idea if these guys are even still together or even alive, but this album is pretty interesting.

No much more I can say except **The Wedding Present** is a great band that may or may not exist any more. For fans of 80's Brit-Rock, this is probably a good album to check out.



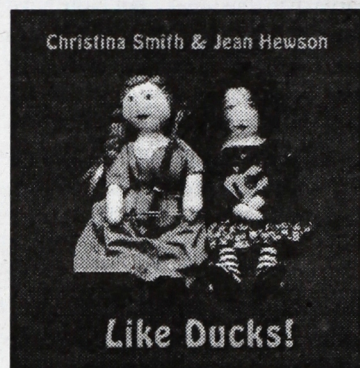
Sleepyhead - Late Night Thinkin'

Dubbed "*NYC's Best Kept Secret*", **Sleepyhead** has just released their latest 6-song EP, *Late Night Thinkin'*. This EP is a follow up to their third album *Communist Love Songs* which was critically acclaimed.

This CD contains a range of

rock songs from the Ramones-like single *Wake Up Call*, the rockin' half-ballad *Gamblers Don't Gamble*, and the eerie *Late Night Thinkin'*. For a small band from New York, this band can cover many different factions of the rock sound. Their lead vocals switch constantly between guitarist **Chris O'Rourke** and drummer **Rachael McNally** which make for a nice change.

There is a new **Sleepyhead** CD coming out around the spring of this year, but this EP is a good little album to listen to just to get the feel of the group. *Late Night Thinkin'* is available now along with their three previous albums.



Christina Smith & Jean Hewson - Like Ducks!

Sure, a lot of you out there are fans of Celtic bands like **Great Big Sea**, **Captain Tractor**, **Ashley MacIsaac** and others, but this CD, although a wonderful Celtic collection, is only for hard core Celtic fans. *Like Ducks!* is a collection of traditional and native Newfoundland songs.

Christina Smith is a classically trained cellist and one of Newfoundland's best fiddlers, as **Jean Hewson** is in demand for her guitar work and versatile voice. Versatile actually doesn't cover the hauntingly beautiful sounds that this woman can produce. Although to a university crowd, this may sound like a weird musical combination, but trust, me, it is extremely good!

The CD contains lively fiddle tunes like *Kelly and Joe* and *Jacob's Jig*, haunting ballads like *Pride of the Season* and *Lady in the East*, and humorous traditional songs like *The Mallard* and *The Liar's Song*. Everything on this album is Celtic Folk and makes you want to

go out east and party. Even their rendition of the **Hank Williams** classic *I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry* is just dripping with Celtic ancestry.

This is a great album, but remember my warning. You have to be in the mood for some downright traditional Celtic music without a single alternative influence anywhere. It may not be for everyone, but those who are the adventurous type will enjoy this album for years!



Autour de Lucie

par Jennifer Sweeney
Contributor

Autour de Lucie est un album intitulé d'après le nom du groupe sorti il y a déjà deux ans et demi dans l'industrie de la musique internationale. Le nouveau recueil de chansons y compris "*Immobile*" établi par des artistes doués est doté d'une originalité incroyable. Ce deuxième essai marque leur individualité et se propage partout en Amérique du Nord. Le trio parisien a été influencé par les aperçus qu'ils voient dans les rues quotidiennement. Valérie, la voix derrière ce groupe fantastique, croit que leur musique est une combinaison de la vie de trois personnes voulant s'échapper de leur vie en fixant leur loisirs dans leur musique. Chaque chanson raconte une histoire, par exemple "*Sur tes pas*" illustre une poursuite inspiré par la musique de John Barry. Tandis que "*L'eau qui dort*" évoque un certain mystère. Ce groupe musical joue plutôt sur le tableau alternatif. La plus sincère caractéristique que je puisse vous donner comme amateur de musique au sujet de ce groupe est qu'il est superbe et vous devez vous en procurer une copie immédiatement.

Top Ten of 1997

According to *Entertainment Weekly*, here are the top ten selling albums for 1997:

1. Spice Spice Girls
2. Pieces of You Jewel
3. No Way Out Puff Daddy
4. Sevens Garth Brooks
5. Middle of Nowhere Hanson
6. Life After Death The Notorious B.I.G.
7. Bringing Down the Horse The Wallflowers
8. Falling Into You Celine Dion
9. Space Jam Soundtrack
10. You Light Up My Life LeAnn Rimes

Off The Top Rope

An Interview With ICW Personalities, Part 2.

by Mat Thompson
Entertainment Editor

Here is the second and final part of my interview with **James "Richie Rich" Dostall** and **World Midget Champion Frenchie Lamonte** of the ICW. This half of the interview is more centred on the training and becoming a wrestler. We did get a little off from the questions, but this is extremely interesting stuff for those of you interested in the behind the scenes workings of a wrestling school and federation.

How much freedom does your school give to the new wrestlers in creating their own persona, gimmick, style and finishing move?

J- It's kind of a joint discussion. If someone has a real good idea and we think that it will work for him, by all means he can decide that himself. If not, just from his style and personality, we can come up with something for him. But if he has a good idea and he has thought of this for years and we think it is something the people would like and it fits his personality, we give him the freedom in that.

What would you say to someone like me who is considering becoming a professional wrestler?

J- The whole process starts off with an application. You would get a phone call probably from Ike "The Crippler" Shaw, he would ask you a few questions like, "Have you done some amateur wrestling in the past?" They would ask you a few questions about your physical health. You would have to get a doctors certificate and do a physical to make sure you are in good health, so that after running a half hour you don't collapse and have a heart attack. You have to be in good physical condition. Then from there, the next thing is we would invite you to come to the school. The gym is filled with old pictures from Stampede Wrestling where you will see people like Rick Martel, Bret and Owen Hart as little kids. They are like 110 lbs scrawny little kids. You will see how they were 20 years ago. We have three rings as well; two big rings that we use for the show and the training ring at the gym as well as weights and other things.

We don't have room to accommodate everyone, and not everyone is chosen. You can kind of tell if a person is athletic just by looking at them and talking to them a bit about their past. The next step is, what we have for our students, some people learn wrestling in six months, some take a year, but it doesn't matter, because when you pay your tuition fees, what that includes is your stay at the gym. The wrestlers actually eat, sleep, live and shit wrestling because they are there 24/7. You live right at the gym. You don't live in the gym, but there are actual bedrooms in the back. There are laundry facilities, there's a kitchen, showers and it's all right there separate from the gym, but it's all on one floor.

You don't train during the day, most of the students do their cardio during the day because we are located above a bank, so all the training goes on when the bank closes at six. They train from six to ten every night. So you can train seven days a week. During the day, most of them try to find jobs because we don't cover their food. You can't feed someone for a

year off the tuition that they pay.

If it's going to take you five months to learn then start working on the shows, great. It might take you three months, a year or a year and a half, but you only pay the one time thing then you are a member into the gym and into everything...4-life!

What is the worst part about working in professional wrestling?

J- Frenchie has had lots of broken bones. After wrestling on a regular basis, he's got a hip replacement, he's broke his toes, his arms.

F- I broke my ankle, I've sprained my knee a couple of times. But after all it's wrestling. You have to expect it. It's not done purposely, it's just bad accidents, bad timing and bad falls. That's why it's so freaking scary when you wrestle, if you don't watch what you are doing, and you are not sure of yourself it's advisable not to try a stunt you have never tried before. That's what makes me mad about the kids that we train. They will do stuff they see on TV and hurt themselves, instead of waiting and being taught it. Don't do things that you are unsure of.

J- People will try this stuff, but try it on their bed mattress. You know, you suplex a guy, but of course it's not going to hurt on your bed when you have two feet of foam there. But the ring is hard. It's not soft like an air mattress. You do feel it when you fall. You learn how to fall, and break the fall a little bit, but it still hurts.

F- It's got to be in to you to become a wrestler. A lot of people say they would like to become a wrestler, and yet they try it out and they can't because it's not in them. But for you to make it... if it's not in you, you will never make it.

J- Two out of three people who start training at our school will drop out after a short time because they can't take it anymore. Once you get past that point and once you are ready, you will be in the ICW. That's where we have an advantage then like going to Joe's Wrestling School in California where when you are done the guy has no work for you. You go and pay \$3000 US and also pay for a place to stay, then with no work, you spent your money for nothing. In the ICW, if you make it through and stick with us, you will be working on our shows. You will see our new guys wrestling on our show that aren't listed on the poster. So you will have a spot if you can get past the initial pain and that sort of thing.

F- It is hard, no doubts about it. Like I was saying before. You have to take the pain and the suffering; the rope burns, the mat burns, especially when you take a shower afterwards, then you are really asking for pain! Your skin is raw. It's something that you have to go through.

J- Not everybody gets in, and we only have limited room and beds. We have students right now, two from Germany, one from Australia, a couple from the East Coast, there was two guys from Nebraska. Through the internet, we are getting students from all over. There are guys even in Mexico that want to come up. The Hart Brothers School of Wrestling as well our president,

Ike "The Crippler" Shaw is our vice president, the president is Waldo Von Erich. He was half of the WWF Tag Team Champions with Fritz Von Erich, which is Kerry and Terry (Texas Tornado) and all the Von Erichs. They were the champions when it was the WWWF (World Wide Wrestling Federation), so we have the background. Waldo still holds the record for the longest wrestling match, he wrestled way over an hour at Madison Square Gardens against Bruno Sammartino. There is over 60 years experience in the guys that are instructing you (Von Erich and Shaw), as well as the other guys that we use. They pop into the gym all the time. When the Bushwhackers are in town, they come to the gym. There is always other people at the gym who have wrestled for years. The instructors have a lot of knowledge, and that is very important.

It's a full time thing. Some people choose a wrestling school where the guy is still wrestling full time and he's never there and just having one of his kids showing the stuff or the guy only does it on weekends. With us it is a wrestling school 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The guys are there permanently showing you the stuff. This is part of your business. As well we have an amateur wrestling program, where we teach the amateur wrestling. We have the Ontario Provincial Champion who teaches the amateur wrestling. So you are not just learning professional wrestling, you are learning a lot of the holds on the mat too.

Of the ICW stable of wrestlers, who are the ones that the fans should be watching for as the up and coming stars of the future?

J- Other than the ones that have the WWF contracts already, we have the Gothic Knight. This guy has a 62 inch chest, 34 inch waist, and his arms are about 24 inches. He is being looked at by both the WWF and WCW, so he is definitely an up and comer. As well Wolfgang, who is wrestling in Germany right now, he doesn't have a WWF or WCW contract either, he is a very very big guy. Joe E. Legend, which is one of our instructors as well, is in the midst of setting something up with the ECW. And like I said, the other guys have signed already, like Sexton Hardcastle, they have WWF contracts already.

Are there any big named wrestlers out there today that have trained at the ICW?

J- Going back through the whole thing, Ike Shaw was trained by Stu Hart in Calgary.

F- Pretty well everyone has gone through Stu Hart. Ike Shaw is basically taking over the Hart Foundation.

J- Out west in Calgary they have had schools for a long time, but the whole ICW is less than two years old. So most of the guys are still training. Our first shows were last May, so before that we were just getting the gym set up and putting all the pieces together. That is when we were using Tito Santana, Greg "The Hammer" Valentine, The Bushwhackers, King Kong Bundy, and Duke "The Dumpster" Drosey.

Additional Quote From James Dostall:

If you are really into wrestling, the one thing you will want to get is The Wrestling Observer. It's total behind the scenes stuff from Japan, the States, everything all the way right through. It comes every Monday, you get it once a week and it's twelve pages long of just writing. It's great.

I hope everyone out there who reads this column enjoyed the interview as

much as I did conducting it. I would like to thank James and Frenchie for taking the time to talk with me (almost 2 hours!) and both these guys, and many of the stars mentioned will be at the ICW show at Sudbury Secondary School on February 18th. Tickets are available through the school or through me. So if you need the tickets to see these rising stars and veterans of pro wrestling, find me and I can get you your own tickets. Don't miss this one, it is wrestling at it's best... and you won't have to see Shawn Michaels shake his ass again!!!

ICW Ticket Winner!

Not many people knew all the answers to the wrestling trivia, but **David Worton** got all five questions right and is going with a friend to the ICW event on me. Here are the answers:

- #1 What was the name of Steve Austin and Brian Pillman's tag team in the WCW?
- The Hollywood Blondes**
- #2 Who was the first WWF wrestler to hold all three championships (Heavyweight, IC, and Tag)?
- Pedro Morales**
- #3 Who used to be named "The Rock" in the WWF before Rocky Miavia?
- The Magnificent Murraco changed his name to Don "The Rock" Murraco.**
- #4 What name did Raven use as a manager in the WWF a few years back?
- Johnny Polo (loser!!!)**
- #5 Who is Michael Hickenbottom and Mark Calloway?
- Shawn Michaels is Michael Hickenbottom and Mark Calloway is the Undertaker!**

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Where are you Pot-Bangers!!!!

by Jason Stevenson
Sports Editor

This past weekend I watched the Women's, and Men's basketball teams take on Laval and Bishop's. On Friday both teams took on the Laval Rouge et Or, or for you non francophones Red and Gold. The Lady Vees played a thrilling game, it was close but in the end the Lady Vees made up for a lack of execution with a pure desire to win.

Now I know the Lady Vees don't play for fan fair, they play for the love of the game, for the pure enjoyment of it. But, I imagine they still appreciate an audience. On Friday the crowd for the Lady Vees game was adequate, but not deserving of their 12-0 record and their thrilling brand of basketball.

For all of you out there who think women's basketball isn't as thrilling as men's, or isn't fast enough, you're wrong. Come to a Lady Vees game and you'll see play-

ers like Tanya Tatti who can do things on the court that will have you rubbing your eyes in disbelief. You'll see Shelly Dewar, Shauna Conway and Tanya Tatti drain three pointers from all over the court. You'll see Karen Vos' pin-point passing talent, passes that allow players like Joy McNichol and Stephanie Harrison to thrill you down inside.

Don't get me wrong the fan support is not bad, but considering the influx of people that file into the gym for the men's games, it's troubling. The Lady Vees have a perfect record and deserve the fruits of those victories, they deserve more fan support.

When the Lady Vees played on Saturday the fan turnout was great, the stands were full. But, that's what I expect to happen at every Lady Vees game. That brings me to the title of my article, "Where are you pot bangers?" In case you guys are wondering, the Lady Vees

want you at there games. It seems unjust to attend the men's games and not the Lady's. With the Lady Vees hosting the OUA championships in March the Ben Avery Gym will a hot bed of great basketball action. Pot Bangers if you read this, come on out to the Lady's Vees games to, especially during OUA's. To all students and basketball fans, come out and support your 12-0 Lady Vees, lets try and pack the stands. Lets not be satisfied until we need seats at courtside because the stands are so full. Try and remember how hard the Lady Vees work, remember the least we can do is sit on are duffs and watch some great basketball. That's right, some great basketball. So lets show them all they're work is appreciated. Come on out and watch the games, and all you pot-bangers come on out, because its time to show the Lady Vees where behind them 100% as they drive towards the Nationals.

Lady Vees Still Undefeated!!

Perfection is a heavy burden, the Lady Vees carried perfection on their shoulders this weekend when they put their 10-0 record on the line against Laval and Bishops. The Lady Vees continued their unbeaten streak and padded their perfect record this weekend in two great games.

The first game was Friday against the Laval Rouge et Or. Laval showed early that they would not be an easy kill for the Lady Vees. The game was a hard fought battle that saw Laval control the offensive and defensive boards, but luckily the Lady Vees where able to execute in the end and put enough points on the board to secure a victory.

Laval had a tough defense that forced the Lady Vees to use both their inside and perimeter game. Stephanie Harisson lead the team with her powerful inside presence by scoring 24 points, just behind her was Joy McNichol with 21.

Shauna Conway, the three point wonder contributed 13. Conway took every Laval three point shot as a personal challenge, which she answered on three occasions.

As always Tanya Tatti played ferocious defense, stealing balls from Laval players with such speed that they were literally hitting the court. The Lady Vees got a bit of a scare in the second half when Tatti went down after being charged while shooting a three, Tatti got back up and finished the game in true Voyager style.

Karen Vos provided the pinpoint passing that got Harrison and McNichol the ball down inside. Vos displayed her toughness taking a charge from a rather large Laval player, and standing in there. The game ended with the Lady Vees over Laval by a score of 76-61. Player of the game was Joy McNichol.

Less than twenty four hours later the Lady Vees where back on the hard court, in front of a great crowd to take on the Bishop's Gai-

ters.

It was clear from the outset that the Ladies from Bishop's were no match for the Lady Vees. The Lady Vees established their dominance from the outset and ran away with the game. Stephanie Harrison drained 20 points largely in the first half and won player of the game honours once again. Shauna Conway was just behind Harrison with 12 points that she rained in from the perimeter. Shelly Dewar also contributed 7 points.

The Lady Vees early lead allowed Coach Campbell to give his bench some serious playing time. Campbell may have put his bench into the game, but they kept themselves in it. Rookie Nicole Walker answered the call with 7 points, 4 boards, and demonstrated a soft touch from the foul line going three for three. Future point guard Amber Petryshen demonstrated her potential as the Vees next passing talent. Petryshen and Walker should prove to be a potent combination in the future.

In the end the Lady Vees dominated the Gaiters up and down the court and won the game in convincing style, 73-44.

Come out and support your Lady Vees during their next at home series, Friday February 20th the Lady Vees host McGill. Then on Sunday February 22nd the Lady Vees host Concordia at the Ben Avery Gym.

Road Apples & Other Fine Messes

by Fat Louis and Wohek
columnists

Wohek: So Lou, what's new?

Fat Louis: Nothing.

W: Geez you sure do live an exciting life, don't ya sonny?

FL: Outside of following my beloved Leafs and losing hords of money playing cards with some hustlers, I guess I really don't have much of a life.

W: Look on the bright side, I only won a few dollars off you last time.

FL: You may have all my money, but you sure don't have my gold seat ticket at the Gardens for the 14 February game against the Red Wings.

W: Let me get this straight, you bought a ticket for the 14th.

FL: Yeah I met some guy the other day he gave me one hell of a deal on a front row seat, some magical carrots, and a genuine Rolex. Sucker.

W: Ah Lou, first off look at your new watch, it's turning green. Secondly, it's supposed to be magical beans, not carrots. And lastly, enjoy the game. Its sounds like you have the best seat in the house.

FL: It damn well better be for the

amount I paid the guy.

W: hey. pea brain, ever hear of a little event called the Olympics.

FL: Yeah, they occur every 4 years, originated in Greece, and are pretty cool.

W: Okay, fair enough. But tell me, what event are you looking most forward to watching?

FL: Figure Skating. CBS is sure going to give me my fill.

W: Okay. let's try this again. What team sport are you looking forward to watching?

FL: Hockey, I can't wait to see Kariya, Shanahan, and Yzerman win us the gold medal.

W: Doesn't it seem odd to that Canada is playing Sweden on the same night the Leafs are hosting Yzerman, Shanahan and the rest of the Red Wings?

FL: let me get this straight, I'm not going to see either Shanahan or Yzerman at the Leafs-Wings game?

W: Nor the other players, coaches, referees, zamboni driver, organ player...

FL: Well then, who am I going to watch?

W: Well if you're lucky, perhaps Bigfoot and other Monster Truck

Madness.

FL: You mean I paid \$155.87 to watch grown men play with over sized toys?

W: Only if you're lucky. You might be watching the Shrine Circus.

FL: So exactly what are you trying to get at? I'm still not getting all this.

W: THERE IS NO LEAF GAME ON THE 14th YOU IDIOT! There's no NHL games at all on the 14th, and for that matter no NHL games for two and half weeks.

FL: What!? What a rip-off, no hockey for tow and a half weeks? How am I ever going to survive? I need my fix of the coolest game on earth. Whatever am I going to do?

Mysterious Voice: Play some cards? How about some Oklahoma Gin?

FL: Well, I don't have any money, however...I'm willing to wager this premium gold seat ticket for the 14th of February Leafs-Wings game.

Mysterious Voice: Oh I don't know...what else ya got?

FL: And I'll even throw in this authentic Rolex.

Mysterious Voice: Really?!

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Voyageurs lay-up for two points on their way to a victory against Laval. The Voyageurs also upset number one ranked Bishop's.

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Voyaging in the New Year



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-Come out and watch your Hockey Vees take on the Concordia Stingers Saturday February 7th at 2:00pm at the Countryside arena. Then on Sunday come and watch the Vees battle UQTR, same time same place.

Away

-The Lady Vees will be traveling to Toronto this weekend to play the Ryerson Rams on Friday February 6th, and the University of Toronto Blues on Saturday February 7th.
-The Voyageurs Men's basketball team will be traveling to Toronto as well to take on the Ryerson Rams and University of Toronto Blues.
-The Volleyball Vees will be traveling to the East Division Semi Finals on Saturday February 7th.
-The Nordic Ski team will traveling to Guelph to race in designated race 2 at Duntroon on Saturday and Sunday.

Laurentian's OUA Standings Teams

-The Hockey Vees stand 2nd in the Mid-West Division of the OUA .
-The Voyageurs Basketball teams stands 1st in the OUA East.
-The Lady Vees Basketball team stands 1st in the OUA East .
-The Volleyball Voyageurs stand 4th in the OUA East.
-The Aqua Vees are ranked 3rd in the OUA Central.

Individuals

-Voyageur Cory Bailey is ranked 4th in the OUA East in scoring with 17.1 PPG
-Lady Vee Stephanie Harrison is ranked 2nd in the OUA East in scoring with 19.0 PPG.
-Lady Vee Joy McNichol is ranked 4th in the OUA East in scoring with 14.6 PPG.
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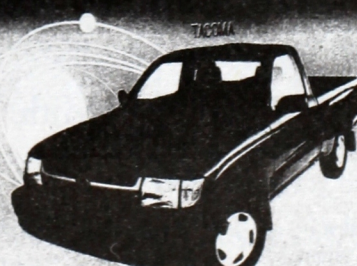
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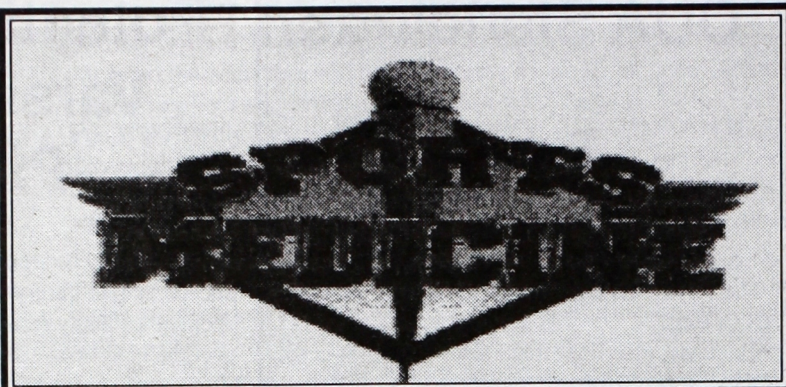
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Dr.Jay Reviews PTD

Snap, crackle, pop! If this is the sound your knee makes when you bend or straighten it, you probably have a common condition known as patellar tracking dysfunction (PTD). You can save yourself pain and disability by understanding this condition.

PTD used to be known as chondromalacia patellae, which means softening of the cartilage on the underside of the patella (kneecap). Since this isn't really what happens, the condition was renamed to describe it more accurately. PTD simply means that the patella doesn't move or "track" straight when the knee is flexed or extended. PTD usually begins with an occasional pain under the kneecap, accompanied by a grating sound called crepitus. The pain is usually worse while running, squatting, walking downstairs and performing other similar knee movements. The knee usually becomes stiff after you remain seated for a few hours, and the pain is often accompanied by inflammation and swelling. All symptoms tend to increase with knee use, and the condition typically worsens with time.

The most common treatments attempt to realign the patella by using tape to pull it inward or by developing the vastus medialis muscle (the teardrop-shaped muscle that runs from midway down the inside of the thigh to just above the knee). Both techniques may realign the patella to some degree, but can also force it closer to the joint and higher than normal. This new alignment may be a problem. (This is one argument against placing knee wraps directly around the kneecaps while squatting.) Neither treatment removes the cause of the problem nor realigns the patella to its normal position. They may slow the progres-



sion of the problem, but the patient usually ends up seeing an orthopedic surgeon.

Arthroscopic surgery can usually eliminate the pain very quickly. The surgery consists of shaving down the patella cartilage to remove any abnormal grooves created by the misalignment. Some surgeons also perform a "lateral patellar release" to realign the patella so that it will track properly and create no new cartilage damage. Like the other therapies, this helps, but is usually only enough to slow the accumulation of new cartilage damage. If you're an active person, you may face another surgery in 3-5 years. If the vastus lateralis muscle on the outer front of the thigh is excessively tight, the misalignment most commonly found in PTD is created. This upward pull on its outside edge makes the right patella rotate clockwise and the left one rotate counterclockwise, causing improper tracking and ultimately cartilage damage.

The question remains, "Why is the muscle too tight?" Fibrotic adhesions are the cause. When a muscle is exposed to chronic overstress or trauma, the body often heals the muscle with fibrotic adhesions. These adhesions act like scar tissue that binds some of the muscle fibers together, reducing the muscle's normal length. When a muscle reaches a certain degree of tightness, it can pull the bone to which it's attached out of its normal alignment. This can occur with nearly every bone in the body.

These adhesions can be eliminated. If they're removed correctly, the muscle can return to its original length and the patella will move back into proper alignment and track normally. If pain persists, it could be because a large amount of cartilage damage exists, and surgery may still be required to repair it. Because the cause has been removed, however, no new cartilage damage will occur.

Volleyball Vees to go to OUA East Playoffs

On Friday January 31st, the Voyageurs Volleyball team traveled to Toronto to take on the Ryerson Rams. The Voyageurs walked away with the victory defeating the Ryerson Rams three straight with scores of 15-12, 15-2 and 15-12. This victory clinches a spot for the Voyageurs in the OUA East play offs. Top players for the Vees were: Alain Areseneau with 13 kills, 2 aces and 1 block; Serge L'Esperance with 10 kills, 1 ace and 3 blocks; and Benoit Fournier with 8 kills and 2 blocks.

The Voyageurs did not fare as well Sunday, February 1st, when they played the University of Toronto Blues. The Vees lost three straight: 4-15, 4-15, 3-15. Top players were: Serge L'Esperance with 9 kills; Adam Marlot with 6 kills; Jonathon Hogg with 14 kills; and Benoit Fournier with 3 kills and 1 block.

Track & Field teams at Toronto Classic

The Men's and Women's Track & Field teams traveled to Toronto to compete in the University of Toronto Classic. Top Results from the men were: a 1st for the 4x800m team comprised of Aaron Prieur, Jeremy Gilbank, John Thompson and Brian English. English held the best individual time for the relay. Top individual results came from: Shane Rosati with a 3rd in the triple jump and a 5th in the long jump; and Aaron Prieur with a 5th in the 600m.

Top finishes for the women's team came from a 4th in the 4x800m team comprised of Erin Kennedy, Eding Mvilongo, Lynne Perron and Jenn Dewan. Top individual performance came from Jenn Dewan with a 2nd in the 1000m.

Next action for the Track & Field teams is on February 20th, 1998. When they travel to London to take part in the Western Open.

Hockey Vees lose two on the road

The Laurentian Men's Hockey team lost on the road Saturday, January 31st to McGill University by a final score of 6-1. Scoring Laurentian's sole goal was Luc Gagne.

Following their game in Montreal, the Vees traveled to Ottawa to face off against the University of Ottawa Gee-Gees. They lost by a final score of 6-2. Both of Laurentian's goals were scored by Brad Baber. Next action for the Vees is Saturday, February 7th, when they will host Concordia at Countryside Arena at 1:30pm.

Athlete of the Week

Male Athlete & OUA Athlete of the Week

Ted Dongelmans-Men's Basketball

Ted Dongelamns is a second year computer science student at Laurentian University. A native of Orillia, Dongelmans first began playing basketball with his high school, Orilla District C.V.I.. This past summer Dongelmans was a member of team Canada at the Jones Cup in Taiwan. The 6'10 center is in his second season with the voyageurs. Dongelmans has had much success at Laurentian University. Last season he was named to the OUA East All-star team and also received the OUA athlete of the week. This past weekend, Dongelmans was a driving force behind the Voyageurs outstanding results. On Friday January 30th, the Voyageurs defeated Laval Rouge Et Or 77-54. In this game, Dongelmans was one of the top scorers for the Voyageurs with 10 points in his 21 minutes of play. On Saturday January 31st, The Voyageurs upset the #1 ranked, undefeated Bishop's Gaiters with a 94-71 win. Dongelmans was the top scorer of the game with 29 points in his 35 minutes of play. During both games, Dongelmans shot 100% for free throws. On Friday he was 2 for 2 and Saturday was 11 for 11.



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The Good, the Bad, and the Silly

by D'Arcy Closs
Contributor

Olympic Games *n pl* (1662) 1: an ancient Pan Hellenic festival held every fourth year and made up of contests of sports, music, and literature with the victor's prize a crown of wild olive.

Don't look now people, but another Olympic Games are fast approaching (they have a way of creeping up on you, don't they?), which means its time for our four year dose of the good, the bad, and the positively silly, in the world of sports. Of course we don't give out wreaths of wild olives to the winners anymore, and contests of literature and music seem to have been mysteriously dropped somewhere along the way; although considering some of the events we now have in their place, maybe that wasn't such a good idea.

If the Olympics do nothing else, they enable all us less worldly sorts a chance to become acquainted with heretofore unknown locales like Nagano, Lillihamer, Lake Placid, and Calgary. The Olympics also make us painfully aware of exactly how many different time zones there are in the world. As a result, being slumped in front of my TV set at some ungodly hour of the morning watching hockey will probably be the norm for the next few weeks. And since its the Olympics, these hockey games will seem even more surreal due to the European notion that hockey is best played on a ice surface the size of a soccer pitch. But at least hockey is an Olympic event which deserves to be televised. Other sports, I'm not so sure about.

I don't care what sort of weapon you give a cross-country skier to tote around, it's still a boring sport. True, the rifles strapped to the skier's backs have the *potential* for interesting developments, but all they ever use them for is to shoot at inanimate targets. I know if I had a rifle strapped to my back, and was coming down the home-stretch, and the only thing standing between me and Olympic Gold was some Scandinavian jackrabbit...well I might be tempted to take a few shots at ol' Sven before he crossed the finish line. And what's so hard about shooting out targets after a bit of skiing. If they really want to impress me, let

them ski 5 km's, then attempt to play some short but delicate etude on the flute. But lets not be too hard on skiing, it's only a bad sport, and as Canadians we are used to watching bad sports every once in a while, hell, they even included one of our very own bad sports—curling—into this years Olympics.

Yes, for the very first time, curling will be an "official medal sport" of the Olympic Games. No more chocolate medallions wrapped in gold tinfoil for these "athletes." And why shouldn't curling should be a sport. If the summer Olympics can give medals for pistol shooting, then I don't see a problem with curling. I do, however, have a problem with several other "sports" which will be on display at Nagano.

Lets start with the two-man bobsled, where two guys—dressed up in some sort of skintight, rubber-latex suit—lie on top of each other on a small sled, then race down a bumpy ice track at insane speeds. You would think, for the sake of modesty, that these bobsledders would put aside all aerodynamic concerns and opt for bulky snowmobile suits. It certainly would offer more protection in the case of a crash. And crashing in this event seems inevitable, as the sled was clearly built for just one person.

Next on the list of silly events is that "sport" which merges the art of ballet with, of all things, skiing. Can snowshoe tap-dancing be far off? Speed skating, while silly, is nonetheless watchable, partly because it has the potential for some pretty painful looking wipe-outs, and partly because it is the only time you will ever see people with thighs that huge. Watching these speedskaters, I can't help but think how devastating a scissor-hold they could apply to somebody. Short-track speed skating, which we Canadians seem to do pretty well at, is another sport which I'm not too sure about. While it does offer frequent crashing, the non-stop cornering can get a bit nauseous after a while.

But, aside from moving to Australia—where its actually summer—it does not seem like one can avoid the winter Olympics. On the brighter side, with the inclusion of pro-hockey players, and the temporary suspension of NHL games, at least I get a three week break from Toronto Maple Leaf hockey games.

Female Athlete Stephanie Harrison- Women's Basketball

Stephanie Harrison is a third year Sport and Physical Education student enrolled in the school of Human Kinetics at Laurentian University. A native of St. Catherine's Ontario, Harrison spent many of her early years on the volleyball and basketball courts playing for her high school (Governor Simcoe Secondary School). Presently, Harrison has an important role with numerous scoring opportunities for her team. This past weekend Harrison lead her team to two more wins to improve their perfect record to 12-0. On Friday January 30th, the Lady Vees defeated the Laval Rouge Et Or 76-61. Harrison was the top scorer for this game with 24 points in 26 minutes of play. On Sunday the team continued their success with a 73-44 win. Harrison was again the top scorer and athlete of the game with 20 points in 18 minutes of play.

Voyageurs Trounce Laval and Upset #1 Ranked Bishops

It was Friday and the stands where full, the Voyageurs where playing Laval but everyone's minds were on the Bishop's Gaiters. The #1 ranked Gaiters were the only team to defeat the Voyageurs and Laval was merely a warm-up.

Things started off slow, Laval took the lead in the opening half dominating initially. Things seemed all Laval until the Voyageurs slowly took control and started executing. It was an intense game, some of Laval's plays had the Voyageur fans looking on in disbelief. But the Voyageurs found leadership offensively in a surprising place. That place was the jump shot of Joey Turco, who scored 11 points. Another scoring leader for the team was Roan Briggs, who tends to stay in the background but scored 11 as well; just ahead of big Ted Dongelmans who scored 10 points. Turco was also player of the game.

The most memorable moment of the game against Laval wasn't Laval's two alloupe dunks, or Dongelmans inside presence, it wasn't even Cory Bailey's intense defensive play. It was the attempt by Flash Gordon to hide the any injury he sustained mid-way through the second half. Gordon suffered what can only be described as a "male injury," after which he attempted to casually walk off the court, with out success. Gordon returned in the second half and helped feed the ball to Turco and Briggs. The Voyageurs probably displayed their most balanced attack on Friday spreading the points around. It was almost a warm-up, or an experiment if you will, to see how well the team could score col-

lectively. If it was, it was a success because as most of you know the Voyageurs did beat the Gaiters...

It was Saturday and the stands where full, the Lady Vees had just defeated the Gaiters in fine fashion and Joey Turco and Adam Dusome where both honoured with scholarship awards and the pot-bangers were making a welcome racket. The crowd was there to see

of play when then the Voyageurs turned on the afterburners and left Bishops in their wake. The Voyageurs ended the game with a commanding 94-71 lead and defeated the #1 ranked Gaiters.

It seems that the Voyageurs will go as far as the long arms of Ted Dongelmans can take them. The Gaiters beet the Voyageurs handily the last time they met, in a



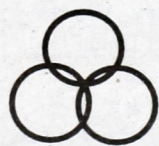
the Voyageurs win, and from the start it was clear they had a chance.

It was close at first, but now one expected what was going to happen. Big Ted Dongelmans took control of his team, with the help of his point guard Flash Gordon and started to wage war with Bishops. Dongelmans would score 29 points, just one ahead of Gordon's 28. Gordon was also player of the game Adam Dusome poured in 15 from the perimeter and played great defensive along with Bailey who was all over Bishop's.

The half time score was 51-46 in the Voyageurs favor, the game was close until the last six minutes

game that Dongelmans was benched. This time Dongelmans took control and proved to be a potent offensive weapon, a weapon that the Vees seem to live and die by in big games. Let's hope Dongelmans can take the Voyageurs to the Nationals in the offense Coach Campbell has centered around him.

Next action for the Voyageurs is Friday, February 6th when they will be on the road in Toronto to take on the Ryerson Rams. **stay tuned for the Voyageurs next home game at the Ben Avery Gym.**



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Men's Olympic Hockey



Controversy rules Olympic hockey

No one knows who will win the Olympic hockey tournament. In fact, we don't even know which countries will qualify. Or, for that matter, who will play for the countries that do qualify.

The only certainty is this: At some point, there will be a rules controversy.

The International Olympic Committee is a law unto itself. It doesn't follow National Hockey League rules and it doesn't follow International Ice Hockey Federation rules. That's why, at some point, there will be a battle.

In fact, one already has been raging behind the scenes. In the NHL, there are no drug tests. In the IIHF, a player found using certain banned substances is tossed out of the tournament but his team continues. But the IOC has a different system altogether. In IOC competition, if tests show a player used a banned substance, his entire team is bounced and any medals won by the team are forfeited.

In the past few weeks, there has been tremendous behind-the-scenes pressure to get the IOC to change its rule to have it conform to the IIHF rule. The wrong cold pill, or even the wrong thirst-quencher the day before a game, could cause the gold-medal winner to be overturned.

However, that's almost certainly the system that will be in place for this tournament. It has been the case before and it will be the case this time if for no other reason than it's easier to get one of the Ten Commandments rewritten than to change Olympic policy.

REALITIES

The IOC representatives come from a large number of countries and many of them don't have the slightest clue about the realities of professional sports. Also, with all the recent revelations about the drug abuse by Chinese and East German swimmers, the timing is not the best when it comes to an easing of the rules.

But fans of NHL hockey will notice a lot of other changes in the game itself. For one thing, the benches are larger in Nagano's Big Hat Arena - and they need to be. Olympic teams can dress 22 players - including two goalies - compared to 20 in an NHL game. And the goal line is two feet further out. This is an innovation that the NHL almost certainly will adopt next year so North American fans will get an advance look at its impact.

Some other IIHF innovations may

make it to the NHL - but certainly not the one that says there will be no TV timeouts.

In the NHL, a goalie can freeze the puck as long as there's an opponent in the area because, in theory at least, he's preventing the opponent from scoring. But the IIHF calls for a minor penalty to a goalie who falls on the puck outside the hash marks. If he falls on the puck behind the goal line, he's given a warning and then a minor if he persists.

Icing is automatic as soon as the puck crosses the line in the IOC. This is a rule that many NHL observers have been promoting on the premise that the race to be the first to touch the puck causes too many injuries.

The NHL's much-maligned crease rules also are altered for this tournament. For instance, if a player stands in the crease in the NHL, he's free to do so and if he gets out before the puck gets there, any goal scored on the play will stand. But the IOC rule says that if a player stands in the crease, play is stopped and the subsequent faceoff is outside the blue line.

Also, the NHL's two-minute penalty for high-sticking or charging a goalie becomes a double minor in the Olympics. However, goaltender interference is a two-minute minor in both cases.

There also may be controversy over a deflected goal. In the NHL, a goal off the skate is allowed as long as the player didn't make a kicking motion toward the puck. The IOC uses the old NHL rule that the goal is disallowed if the puck deflects off a skate.

Also the IOC does not allow video replays on a number of situations that would qualify in the NHL: to determine if a player was in the crease before the puck; if the puck deflected off an official; or if the puck was struck with a high stick. That last one may stir some memories. The crucial goal in the 1996 World Cup was scored off Brett Hull's high stick but somehow, the video officials didn't see it. In the Olympics, however, that play would not be subject to video review so the referee would make the decision. There are far too many changes to list - some of which are curious but not really relevant. For instance, on-ice officials must wear a shirt and tie when arriving for the game. And if you're awarded a penalty shot, you don't have to take it. You can opt for the two-minute minor instead. Some make sense, some don't. But every one is a potential cause of

Canadian Hockey Association Olympic

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Silver- Sweden
Bronze- Switzerland

1932 Lake Placid, USA
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Silver- USA
Bronze- Germany
1936 Garmisch, Germany
Gold- Great Britain
Silver- Canada
Bronze- USA
1948 St. Moritz, Switzerland
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Silver- Czechoslovakia
Bronze- Switzerland
1952 Oslo, Norway
Gold- Canada
Silver- USA
Bronze- Sweden
1956 Cortina, Italy
Gold- Soviet Union
Silver- USA
Bronze- Canada
1960 Squaw Valley, USA
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1964 Innsbruck, Austria
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Silver- Sweden
Bronze- Czechoslovakia
1968 Grenoble, France
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Silver- Czechoslovakia
Bronze- Canada
1972 Sapporo, Japan
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Bronze- Germany
1980 Lake Placid, USA
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Silver- Soviet Union
Bronze- Sweden
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Gold- Soviet Union
Silver- Czechoslovakia
Bronze- Sweden
1988 Calgary, Alberta
Gold- Soviet Union
Silver- Finland
Bronze- Sweden
1992 Albertville, France
Gold- Soviet Union
Silver- Canada
Bronze- Finland
1994 Lillehammer, Norway
Gold- Sweden
Silver- Canada
Bronze- Finland

Profiles

Rob Blake

Defence - Shoots Right
Height, Weight: 6'3, 215 lbs
Born: Dec 10, 1969, Simcoe, ON
1997-98 Club: Los Angeles Kings
INTERNATIONAL:
Gold Medalist 1997 World Championships and named Top Defenseman
Played in 1996 World Cup
Gold Medalist at 1994 World Championship
NHL HIGHLIGHTS:
NHL All-Rookie Team 1991
Played in the NHL All-Star Game in 1994
Named Los Angeles' Outstanding Defenseman four times
PERSONAL:
Lists boating and golfing as his

favorite activities... received the 1996 Kings Community Service Award... played semi-pro volleyball during the summer... idolized his current coach, Larry Robinson, growing up.

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NHL EXPERIENCE
Season Team GPGAPTIM
1996-97 Los Angeles 628233182
NHL Totals 38868170238648

Brendan Shanahan

Forward - Shoots Right
Height, Weight: 6'3, 220 lbs
Born: Jan. 23, 1969, Mimico, ON
1997-98 Club: Detroit
INTERNATIONAL:
Played for Canada in 1996 World Cup
Gold Medalist at the 1994 World Championship
1991 Canada Cup Champion
Played in 1987 World Junior Championship
NHL HIGHLIGHTS:
Won the Stanley Cup with Detroit in 1996-97
Played in the 1994, 96, 97 All-Star Games
First Team NHL All-Star in 1993-94

PERSONAL:

Spent summer traveling in Europe...
Honorary Chairman of Detroit Red Wings Charity softball game
INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE
Year Event GPGAPTIM
1996 World Cup 73478
1994 World Championship 643730
1991 Canada Cup 82026
1987 World Jr. Championship 6336
NHL EXPERIENCE
Season Team GPGAPTIM
1996-97 Detroit 81474188131
NHL Totals 7133353516861472

Marc Crawford

After a seven-year NHL career as a left winger for the Vancouver Canucks, Marc Crawford began his off-ice hockey career as general manager and head coach of the Cornwall Royals of the Ontario Hockey League in 1987.

The Belleville, ON, native coached the Royals for two seasons before accepting a job as head coach of the Toronto Maple Leafs farm club in Saint John's, Newfoundland in 1991. In three seasons there, the AHL Maple Leafs won two AHL Atlantic Division titles. In July 1994, he was hired to coach the Quebec Nordiques, whom he led to a first-place finish in the Eastern Conference and second place overall in the NHL.

He was named winner that season of the Jack Adams Trophy as the NHL Coach of the Year, becoming the first rookie coach to win the



award since its inception in 1974. In his second season with the franchise, now the Colorado Avalanche, Crawford coached them to the Stanley Cup championship. Just 35 years old at the time, Crawford was the third youngest coach since 1924 to lead a team to a championship in their first year in a new city.

Key Career Accomplishments

-Assistant coach with silver medal-winning Team Canada at the World Cup of Hockey in September 1996
-Won Stanley Cup Championship in 1996 as head coach of the Colorado Avalanche
-Awarded the Jack Adams Trophy as the NHL Coach of the Year in 1995, his rookie season in the league
-Coached the Saint John's Maple Leafs to the American Hockey League finals in 1992
-Named AHL Coach of the Year in 1992

Team Roster

GOALKEEPERS

#30 Brodeur, Martin New Jersey
#31 Joseph, Curtis Edmonton
#33 Roy, Patrick Colorado

DEFENCE

#44 Blake, Rob Los Angeles
#77 Bourque, Raymond Boston
#37 Desjardins, Eric Philadelphia
#52 Foote, Adam Colorado
#2 MacInnis, Al St. Louis
#24 Pronger, Chris St. Louis
#4 Stevens, Scott New Jersey

FORWARDS

#17 Brind'Amour, Rod Philadelphia
#27 Corson, Shane Montreal
#74 Fleury, Theoren Calgary
#99 Gretzky, Wayne New York Rangers
#9 Kariya, Paul Anaheim
#16 Linden, Trevor Vancouver
#88 Lindros, Eric Philadelphia
#25 Nieuwendyk, Joe Dallas
#55 Primeau, Keith Carolina
#91 Sakic, Joe Colorado
#14 Shanahan, Brendan Detroit
#19 Yzerman, Steve Detroit
#7 Zamuner, Rob Tampa Bay

COACHES

Crawford, Marc Head Coach
Cashman, Wayne Assistant Coach
Murray, Andy Assistant Coach
Johnston, Mike Assistant Coach
Cookson, Rob Assistant Coach
STAFF
Clarke, Bob General Manager
Gainey, Bob Assistant General Manager
Gauthier, Pierre Assistant General Manager

